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Arizona Revised Statute § 8-526, as amended by Laws 2011, Chapter 147 requires the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES) to compile information and produce a semi-annual report for the periods ending on March 31st and September 30th of each year regarding Child Welfare Services, including Child Protective Services (CPS). This report, submitted in satisfaction of that mandate, is for the semi-annual reporting period beginning on April 1, 2012 and ending on September 30, 2012.

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## **Executive Summary**

The Arizona Department of Economic Security's Division of Children, Youth and Families (Division) is pleased to publish this semi-annual report for April 2012 through September 2012 in compliance with A.R.S. § 8-526. This report is intended to provide its readers an opportunity to review the Division's progress in implementing systemic improvement strategies as they impact key performance indicators.

The Division has continuously pursued strategies to achieve improved outcomes for children and families. Many of these strategies have been highlighted in previous editions of this report and other Division publications, and have included strengthening of the Division's quality improvement system, increasing staff skill in the application of the Division's integrated child safety assessment and risk assessment tools, and strengthening in-home services to safely avoid removing children from their homes. Current areas of focus and development include conducting targeted case reviews to identify specific opportunities to move toward reunification or other permanency plans in a more timely fashion; enhancing and strengthening Child Protective Services (CPS) clinical supervision through training and coaching experiences.

The data contained within this Semi-Annual Report, when combined with other child welfare-related information in the Department, highlights progress made in certain areas while also helping to identify where continued focus is needed.

### **Child Abuse Hotline and Child Protective Services (CPS) Investigations**

The statewide Child Abuse Hotline received 31,756 calls during this reporting period. Of those, 10,131 – or 31.9 percent – *did not meet* the statutory criteria for a CPS report. Calls that did not meet the criteria for a CPS report included: requests for information or referrals for services; questions about current cases; and allegations of abuse or neglect where the alleged perpetrator was not the child's parent, guardian or custodian (those calls are referred to law enforcement for response). Every call that does not meet the criteria for a CPS report is reviewed within 48 hours by quality assurance staff to ensure the accuracy of that decision.

The statewide Child Abuse Hotline received 21,625 calls during this reporting period that met the statutory criteria for a CPS report. Of those, 269 were referred to other jurisdictions, the military or tribal governments for investigation. An additional 943 of these reports were responded to through an in-depth alternative assessment conducted by the Social Work Assessment Team. This includes a comprehensive triage by a team of senior SWAT staff and/or contact with reporting sources and other persons who had information about the child(ren) through staff follow-up. Prior to an alternative assessment, the child's and family's circumstance may meet one or more of the following criteria: no current safety threat indicated; the perpetrator had no current access to the child(ren) victim; child(ren) were visible in the community; and prior history on the child and family did not indicate a current safety concern to the child. The remaining reports (20,413) were assigned to child welfare specialists for investigation. This resulted in 20,413 CPS reports being assigned to child welfare specialists for investigation. Compared to the same reporting period last year, this represents an increase of 1,139 CPS reports assigned for investigation – or 5.9 percent. This increase in CPS reports requiring an investigation has primarily occurred in Pinal and Coconino counties.

Of the 20,413 CPS reports assigned for investigation during this reporting period, 9,168 reports – or 44.9 percent – had investigation closures entered into the Children’s Information Library and Data Source (CHILDS) statewide case management information system. Closing an investigation means that the initial investigation of the original allegations of abuse or neglect has been completed and the appropriate case plan is put in place, as needed. Many factors can impact the closure of an investigation, including time needed for the child welfare specialists to obtain all information required to complete an accurate and thorough assessment.

Of the 20,413 CPS reports subject to substantiation during this reporting period, 1,704 – or 8.3 percent – were substantiated. An additional 832 CPS reports – or 4.1 percent – were proposed for substantiation by child welfare specialists and are currently awaiting the results of the appeals process. Over time, the number of substantiated and proposed substantiated CPS reports associated with this time period will increase as investigation findings are entered into CHILDS. It is sometimes difficult to substantiate allegations of abuse or neglect because current state laws that define child maltreatment do not include many situations related to child neglect or sexual abuse.

### **Children in Out-of-Home Care**

The Division remains committed to working with the community to keep children safe, strengthen families, and prevent the need for children to be removed from their homes. The number of children in out-of-home care increased from 12,453 in the prior reporting period to 14,111 in September 2012. Of the children in out-of-home care, the Division continues its success in placing children in the most family-like setting possible. In September 2012, 11,391 children – or approximately 80.7 percent of all children in out-of-home care – were placed with relatives or licensed foster parents. An additional 58 children were placed with their parents on a trial home visit and 325 youth were residing in independent living settings. Efforts to increase the number of licensed foster parents who are able to meet the needs of children requiring out-of-home placement resulted in 999 new homes being licensed during this reporting period.

The Division continues to focus on the number of young children in shelter and group home care. In September 2012, there were 39 young children ages 0 through 3 in shelter care. Placement of young children in shelter care continues to be influenced by the need to place some children after regular work hours, such as weekends, as well as the placement of children in a specialized shelter in Pima County for medically fragile children. The Division has also worked diligently to reduce the number of very young children in group homes. In September 2012, there were 56 young children ages 0 to 6 in group homes. There are times when placement of young children in group homes is in the best interests of the children; for example, when group placement would allow siblings to stay together or when group placement is considered the least restrictive placement for a child with behavioral issues.

The state requires that CPS conduct monthly face-to-face visitation with children in foster care. The current report shows that 73.7 percent of the children in foster care received their visitation during the last month of the reporting period. This compares to 78.1 percent receiving their visit during the last month of the reporting period ending March 2012. The Division recognizes a strong correlation between CPS specialist visits with children, visits between parents and children, and positive outcomes for these children, such as achieving permanency and other indicators of child well-being. The Division continues to make efforts to improve its rate of visitation.

### **Permanency for Children**

The Division continues to work toward achieving permanency for children placed in out-of-home care. The total number of children achieving permanency through family reunification, adoption or legal guardianship was 3,923 this reporting period, compared to 3,574 the same reporting period last year.

Compared to the same reporting period last year, in this reporting period:

- 2,052 children exited the system to family reunification, an increase of 269 children – or 15.1 percent.
- 1,025 children exited to adoption, a decrease of 53 children – or 4.9 percent.
- 290 children exited to guardianship, an increase of 52 children – or 21.9 percent.

### **Challenges**

The Division continues to face challenges in its efforts to ensure safety and promote permanency for abused and neglected children. Some of the challenges the Division has faced in meeting these goals are:

- Retention of child protective services specialists and supervisors.
- Recruitment of foster and adoptive homes for older youth ages 12 to 18 years old.
- Increase in the number of Child Abuse Hotline reports, particularly in the urban counties.
- Increased number of children in out-of-home care.

Despite these challenges, the Division has implemented and will continue to implement process improvements to ensure child welfare staff has the tools they need to do their jobs effectively. The Division continues to work in partnership with the federal government to meet the federal Child and Family Service Review (CFSR) standards to improve outcomes for the children and families it serves.

## Semi-Annual Comparisons

	Oct 2008 through Mar 2009	Apr 2009 through Sep 2009	Oct 2009 through Mar 2010	Apr 2010 through Sep 2010	Oct 2010 through Mar 2011	Apr 2011 through Sep 2011	Oct 2011 through Mar 2012	Apr 2012 through Sep 2012
Number of Reports Received	17,094	16,134	17,110	17,068	17,586	19,666	20,466	21,625
Number of Reports Substantiated <sup>1</sup>	1,238	1,296	2,122	2,264	2,274	2,522	2,748	1,704
Substantiation Rate	9%	9%	13%	13%	13%	15%	14%	8%
Number of Reports Investigated & Closed	10,686	10,397	8,149	8,403	8,481	9,953	10,345	9,168
Number of Reports Responded to	16,820	15,496	16,602	16,853	17,378	19,245	19,274	20,413
Number of new removals	3,889	3,819	3,936	4,010	3,978	4,531	4,968	5,716
Number of new removals with Voluntary under 18	319	148	125	135	192	155	150	116
Number of Children in Out-of-Home Care on the Last Day of Reporting Period	10,404	10,112	10,207	10,514	10,707	11,535	12,453	14,111
Number of Children in Shelter for More than 21 Days	529	450	423	471	534	842	713	764
Number and Percentage of Children Receiving Visitation In the Last Month of Reporting Period	7,247 (69.7%)	8,201 (81.1%)	8,973 (87.9%)	8,930 (84.9%)	8,838 (82.5%)	9,363 (81.2%)	9,728 (78.1%)	10,404 (73.7%)
Number and Percentage of Children not Receiving Visitation	3,157 (30.3%)	1,911 (18.9%)	1,234 (12.1%)	1,584 (15.1%)	1,869 (17.5%)	2,172 (18.8%)	2,725 (21.9%)	3,707 (26.3%)
Number and Percentage of Parents Receiving Visitation	939 (53.6%)	1,364 (59.6%)	1,578 (64.8%)	1,128 (56.4%)	1,144 (57.3%)	994 (54.5%)	1,081 (57.1%)	1,017 (51.2%)
Number of Licensed Foster Homes	3,923	3,954	3,932	3,747	3,595	3,496	3,480	3,748
Number of Foster Home Spaces Available to DCYF	8,293	8,625	8,789	8,693	8,483	8,191	8,572	7,716
Number of New Foster Homes	648	107	560	718	524	582	663	999
Number of Foster Homes Closed	340	76	582	903	676	681	679	747
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes Receiving Visitation In the Last Qtr. Of Reporting Period	2,993 (76.3%)	3,224 (81.6%)	3,240 (82.4%)	3,102 (82.8%)	3,182 (88.5%)	3,121 (89.3%)	3,132 (79.9%)	3,095 (82.6%)
Number and Percentage of Foster Homes not Receiving Visitation	930 (23.7%)	730 (18.4%)	692 (17.6)	645 (17.2%)	413 (11.5%)	375 (10.7%)	790 (20.1)	653 (17.4%)
Number of Children Leaving DES Custody	3,590	3,894	3,650	3,559	3,649	3,574	3,826	3,923
Number of Children With a Case Plan Goal of Adoption	2,047	2,505	2,411	2,450	2,426	2,561	2,663	2,719
Number of Children With a Finalized Adoption	764	891	1,034	991	1,186	1,078	1,224	1,025

<sup>1</sup> Since the appeals process delays the substantiation of reports, revisions to the substantiation rate for the prior reporting period will occur with every semi-annual report produced.



**Reports of Child Abuse & Neglect**

Child abuse and neglect are defined in A.R.S. §8-201 and A.R.S. §13-3623 (A). These definitions provide the major categories in this report.

Between April 1, 2012 and September 30, 2012, there were 21,625 incoming communications to the Child Abuse Hotline that met the criteria for a report of abuse or neglect. Of these, 269 were within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments and were referred to those jurisdictions. This compares to 20,466 incoming communications received during the last reporting period which met the criteria of a report of abuse or neglect.

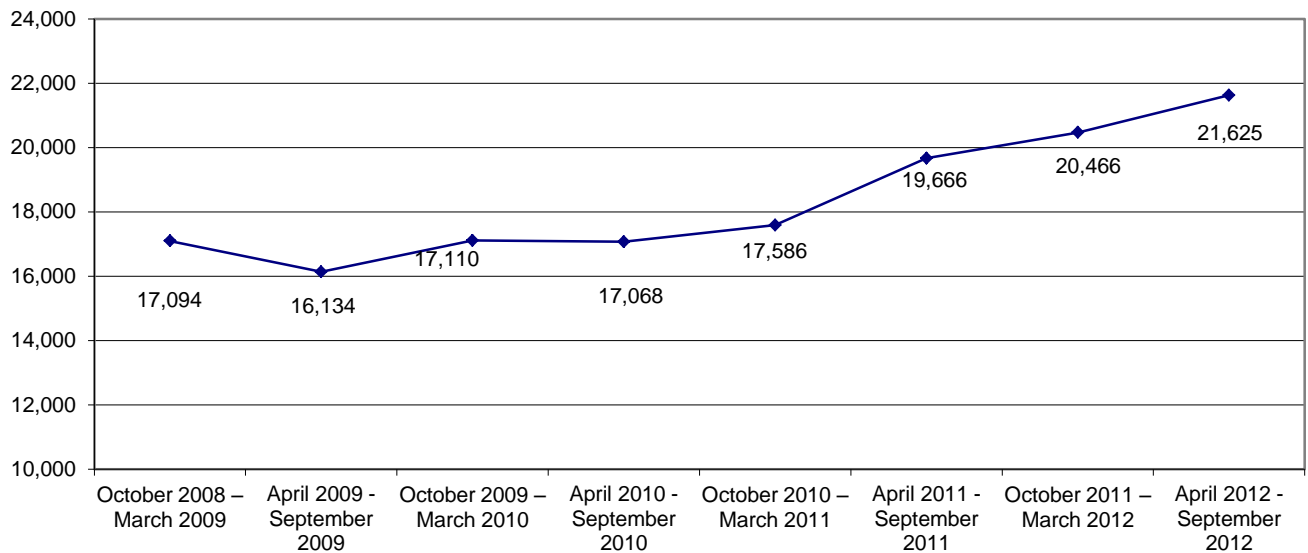
Table 1 shows the number of reports received by the Department by category of maltreatment for the last eight reporting periods. The table shows that for the current reporting period 14,722 or 68.1 percent of the 21,625 reports of maltreatment were related to allegations of neglect, 5,974 or 27.6 percent of the reports were related to allegations of physical abuse, 764 or 3.5 percent of the reports were related to allegations of sexual abuse, and 165 or 0.8 percent of the reports were related to allegations of emotional abuse.

**TABLE 1**  
**REPORTS BY REPORTING PERIOD AND TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**

	Neglect	Physical Abuse	Sexual Abuse	Emotional Abuse	Total
October 2008 – March 2009	9,845 57.6%	6,064 35.5%	975 5.7%	210 1.2%	17,094 100.0%
April 2009 – September 2009	9,666 59.9%	5,372 33.3%	919 5.7%	177 1.1%	16,134 100.0%
October 2009 – March 2010	10,127 59.2%	5,866 34.3%	930 5.4%	187 1.1%	17,110 100.0%
April 2010 – September 2010	10,561 61.8%	5,515 32.3%	812 4.8%	180 1.1%	17,068 100.0%
October 2010 – March 2011	10,960 62.3%	5,755 32.7%	712 4.1%	159 0.9%	17,586 100.0%
April 2011 – September 2011	13,158 66.8%	5,615 28.6%	739 3.8%	154 0.8%	19,666 100.0%
October 2011 – March 2012	13,369 65.3%	6,198 30.3%	739 3.6%	160 0.8%	20,466 100.0%
April 2012 – September 2012	14,722 68.1%	5,974 27.6%	764 3.5%	165 0.8%	21,625 100.0%

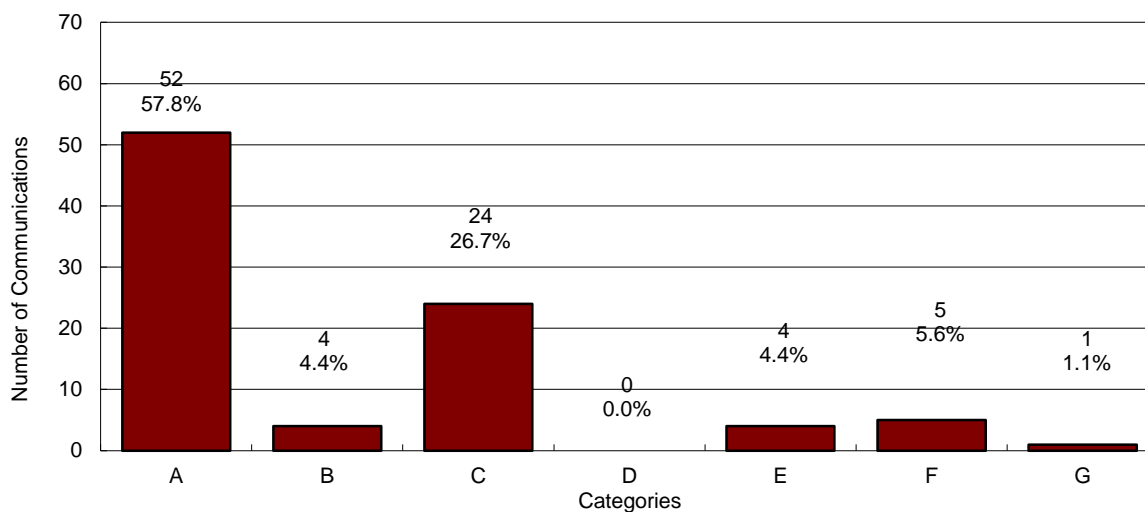
Chart 1 illustrates that the number of CPS reports received by the CPS Hotline has increased by 1,959 reports or 10.0 percent over the past year. Comparing the current reporting period to the prior reporting period, the number of reports received increased by 1,159 reports or 5.7 percent.

**CHART 1**  
**REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT BY REPORTING PERIOD**



In addition to the 21,625 reports during the current reporting period, the Child Abuse Hotline received 10,131 communications that did not meet the statutory criteria of a report of maltreatment. A random sample of these communications is contained in the chart below.

**CHART 2**  
**SAMPLE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE THAT DO NOT MEET**  
**THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF A REPORT OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT**



N= 90

- A = Concern Only/No Allegation of Child Abuse or Neglect**
- B = Out of CPS Jurisdiction**
- C = Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction<sup>2</sup>**
- D = Non-Caretaker Neglect/Child No Longer at Risk**
- E = Insufficient Information**
- F = Truancy/Custody Issues**
- G = Current Case Questions or Referrals**

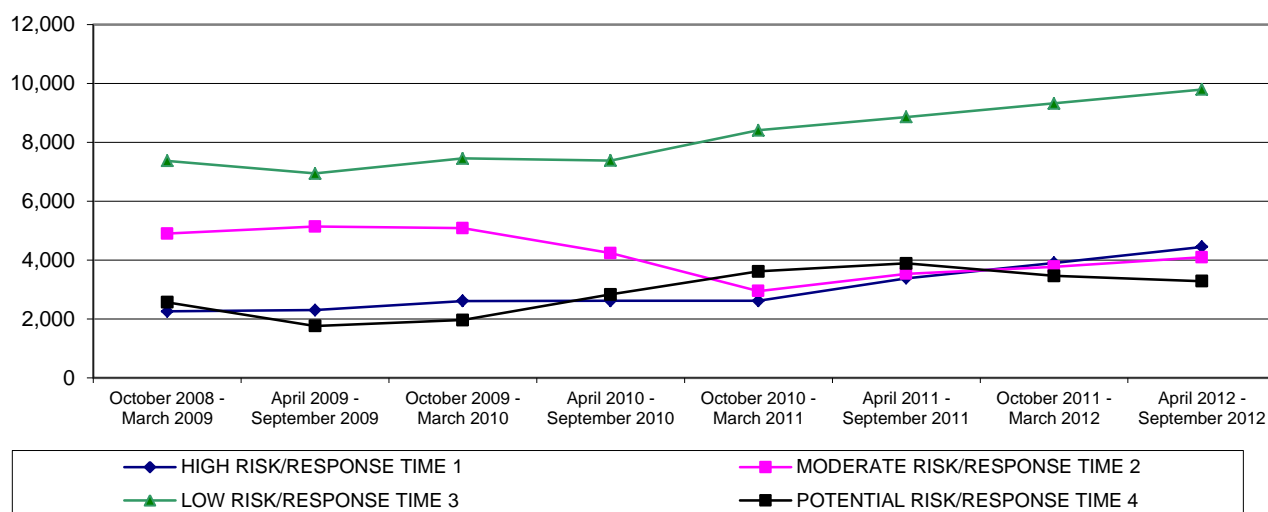
All communications that do not meet the statutory requirements for a field investigation of abuse or neglect are reviewed within 48 hours by DES quality assurance staff.

<sup>2</sup> The category "Call Appropriate for Law Enforcement Jurisdiction" refers to a situation where the alleged perpetrator is not a parent or primary caretaker and the allegations, if true, would constitute a crime.

For the current reporting period, the CPS Hotline classified 20.6 percent of the reports received as response time 1; 18.9 percent as response time 2; 45.3 percent as response time 3; and 15.2 percent as response time 4.

For the current reporting period, the CPS Hotline classified 0.8 percent of CPS reports as emotional abuse; 68.1 percent as neglect; 27.6 percent as physical abuse; and 3.5 percent as sexual abuse.

**CHART 3**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RESPONSE TIME**



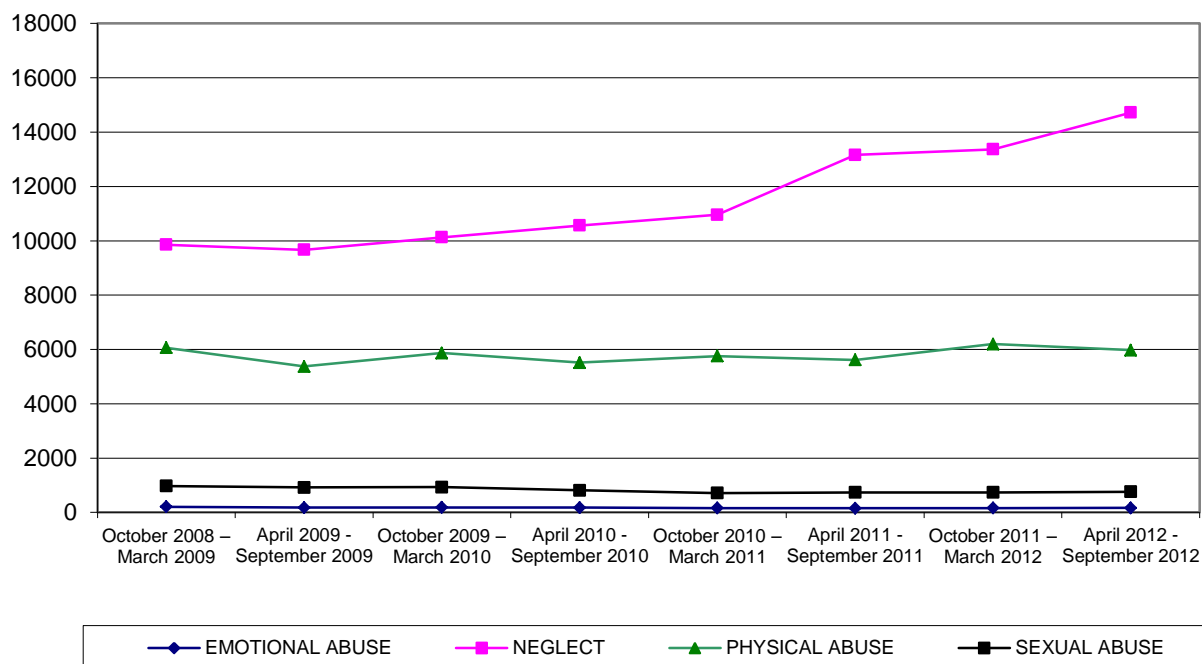
**TABLE 2**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	12	23	47	13	95	0.4%
COCHISE	112	83	216	54	465	2.2%
COCONINO	81	78	184	45	388	1.8%
GILA	58	40	89	19	206	1.0%
GRAHAM	17	27	52	9	105	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	3	13	6	22	0.1%
LA PAZ	16	9	52	8	85	0.4%
MARICOPA	2,667	2,408	5,651	2,009	12,735	58.9%
MOHAVE	148	139	318	52	657	3.0%
NAVAJO	85	71	123	54	333	1.5%
PIMA	728	741	1,893	616	3,978	18.4%
PINAL	312	259	642	215	1,428	6.6%
SANTA CRUZ	30	13	50	15	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	95	137	299	92	623	2.9%
YUMA	85	65	170	77	397	1.8%
STATEWIDE	4,446	4,096	9,799	3,284	21,625	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	20.6%	18.9%	45.3%	15.2%	100.0%	

**TABLE 3**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	22	16	34	12	84	0.4%
COCHISE	69	99	199	61	428	2.1%
COCONINO	61	85	207	74	427	2.1%
GILA	30	34	97	32	193	0.9%
GRAHAM	17	30	45	21	113	0.6%
GREENLEE	1	10	7	3	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	11	15	32	14	72	0.4%
MARICOPA	2,411	2,101	5,382	2,041	11,935	58.2%
MOHAVE	125	142	254	91	612	3.0%
NAVAJO	58	60	123	45	286	1.4%
PIMA	620	725	1,754	657	3,756	18.4%
PINAL	286	259	623	210	1,378	6.7%
SANTA CRUZ	18	12	41	13	84	0.4%
YAVAPAI	83	111	280	98	572	2.8%
YUMA	94	72	247	92	505	2.5%
STATEWIDE	3,906	3,771	9,325	3,464	20,466	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	19.1%	18.4%	45.6%	16.9%	100.0%	

**CHART 4**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**



**TABLE 4**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	69	22	4	95	0.4%
COCHISE	1	331	116	17	465	2.2%
COCONINO	3	261	112	12	388	1.8%
GILA	2	148	49	7	206	1.0%
GRAHAM	1	77	26	1	105	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	15	5	2	22	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	58	23	4	85	0.4%
MARICOPA	90	8,582	3,626	437	12,735	58.9%
MOHAVE	2	468	161	26	657	3.0%
NAVAJO	5	237	78	13	333	1.5%
PIMA	36	2,739	1,062	141	3,978	18.4%
PINAL	15	981	376	56	1,428	6.6%
SANTA CRUZ	1	69	34	4	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	7	412	188	16	623	2.9%
YUMA	2	275	96	24	397	1.8%
STATEWIDE	165	14,722	5,974	764	21,625	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	68.1%	27.6%	3.5%	100.0%	

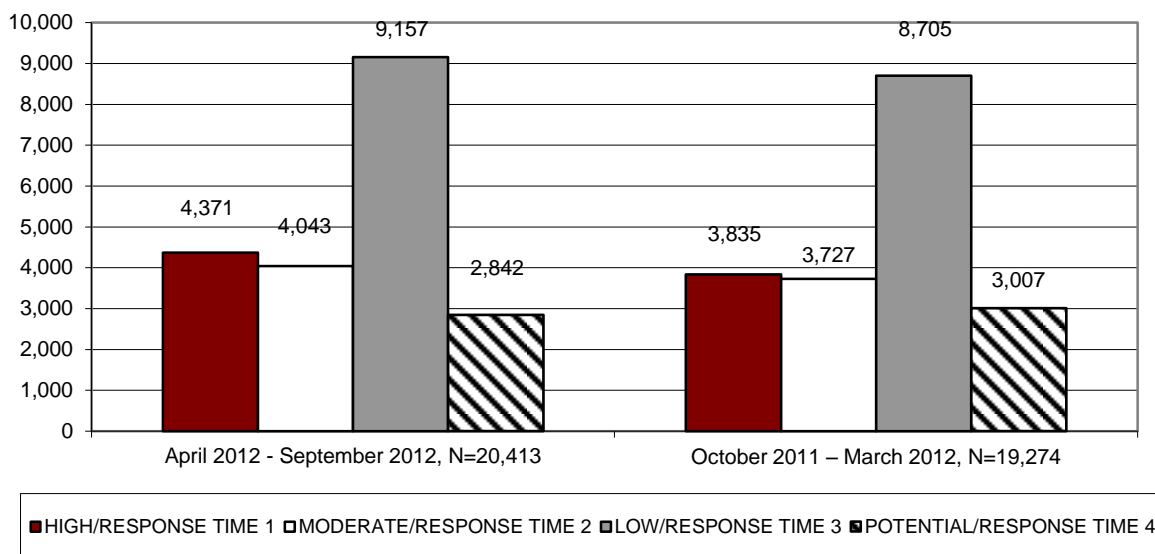
**TABLE 5**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS RECEIVED BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR**  
**PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	60	17	7	84	0.4%
COCHISE	2	277	129	20	428	2.1%
COCONINO	1	269	140	17	427	2.1%
GILA	1	128	55	9	193	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	87	20	5	113	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	17	4	0	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	1	47	21	3	72	0.4%
MARICOPA	88	7,703	3,723	421	11,935	58.2%
MOHAVE	5	428	162	17	612	3.0%
NAVAJO	0	195	79	12	286	1.4%
PIMA	36	2,474	1,126	120	3,756	18.4%
PINAL	13	910	399	56	1,378	6.7%
SANTA CRUZ	1	52	25	6	84	0.4%
YAVAPAI	6	379	158	29	572	2.8%
YUMA	5	343	140	17	505	2.5%
STATEWIDE	160	13,369	6,198	739	20,466	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	65.3%	30.3%	3.6%	100.0%	

**ASSIGNMENT OF INVESTIGATIONS**

During the reporting period, there were 21,625 calls to the CPS Hotline that met the statutory criteria for a report. Of those, 269 reports fell within the jurisdiction of military or tribal governments and 943 reports were given an alternative assessment status. This left 20,413 reports that were assigned to be investigated by CPS. The following tables and charts in this section provide statewide and county level information on these reports.

**CHART 5**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE**  
**TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD**



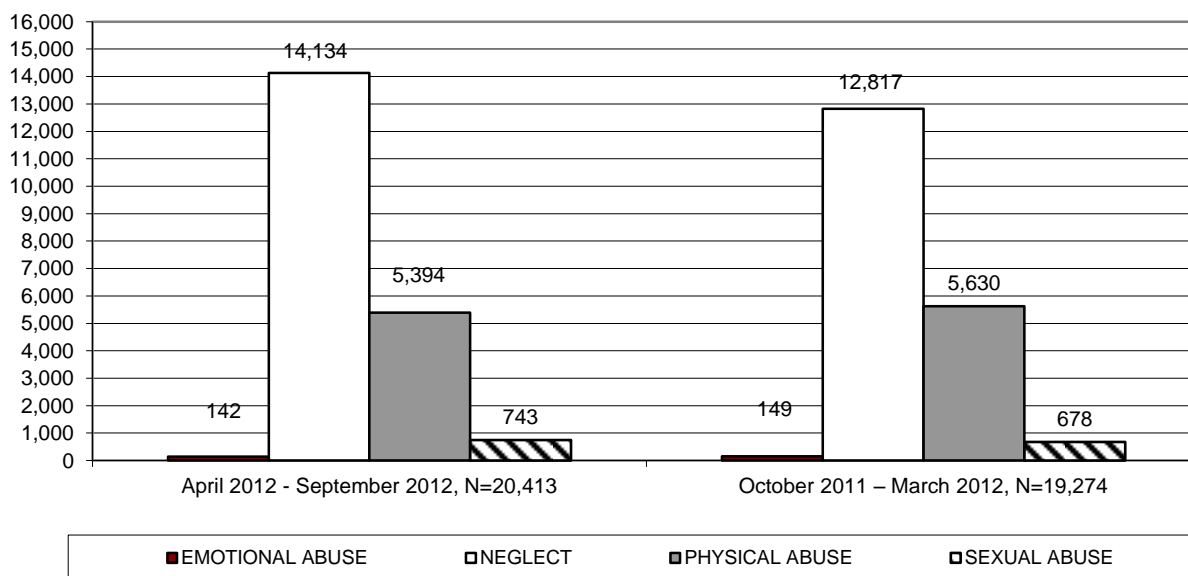
**TABLE 6**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE**  
**TIME AND COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	9	18	33	10	70	0.3%
COCHISE	112	83	216	53	464	2.3%
COCONINO	70	64	160	39	333	1.6%
GILA	51	37	83	16	187	0.9%
GRAHAM	17	24	51	9	101	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	3	13	5	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	12	7	40	8	67	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,653	2,401	5,161	1,621	11,836	58.1%
MOHAVE	143	139	316	51	649	3.2%
NAVAJO	67	61	109	46	283	1.4%
PIMA	725	740	1,884	615	3,964	19.5%
PINAL	306	252	572	185	1,315	6.4%
SANTA CRUZ	30	13	50	15	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	92	136	299	92	619	3.0%
YUMA	84	65	170	77	396	1.9%
STATEWIDE	4,371	4,043	9,157	2,842	20,413	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	21.4%	19.8%	44.9%	13.9%	100.0%	

**TABLE 7**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	14	11	28	10	63	0.3%
COCHISE	68	99	199	61	427	2.2%
COCONINO	48	71	175	62	356	1.9%
GILA	27	34	89	31	181	0.9%
GRAHAM	17	30	45	21	113	0.6%
GREENLEE	1	10	7	3	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	9	14	26	8	57	0.3%
MARICOPA	2,400	2,096	4,908	1,656	11,060	57.3%
MOHAVE	123	141	253	91	608	3.2%
NAVAJO	45	53	110	42	250	1.3%
PIMA	613	721	1,750	652	3,736	19.4%
PINAL	275	253	550	167	1,245	6.5%
SANTA CRUZ	18	12	41	13	84	0.4%
YAVAPAI	83	111	279	98	571	3.0%
YUMA	94	71	245	92	502	2.6%
STATEWIDE	3,835	3,727	8,705	3,007	19,274	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	19.9%	19.3%	45.2%	15.6%	100.0%	

**CHART 6**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**AND REPORTING PERIOD**





**TABLE 8**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	51	15	4	70	0.3%
COCHISE	1	331	116	16	464	2.3%
COCONINO	2	218	102	11	333	1.6%
GILA	2	136	44	5	187	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	73	26	1	101	0.5%
GREENLEE	0	14	5	2	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	44	19	4	67	0.3%
MARICOPA	71	8,210	3,132	423	11,836	58.1%
MOHAVE	2	461	160	26	649	3.2%
NAVAJO	5	198	68	12	283	1.4%
PIMA	35	2,727	1,061	141	3,964	19.5%
PINAL	13	917	331	54	1,315	6.4%
SANTA CRUZ	1	69	34	4	108	0.5%
YAVAPAI	7	411	185	16	619	3.0%
YUMA	2	274	96	24	396	1.9%
STATEWIDE	142	14,134	5,394	743	20,413	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	69.3%	26.4%	3.6%	100.0%	

**TABLE 9**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	45	13	5	63	0.3%
COCHISE	2	276	129	20	427	2.2%
COCONINO	1	217	122	16	356	1.9%
GILA	1	120	51	9	181	0.9%
GRAHAM	1	87	20	5	113	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	17	4	0	21	0.1%
LA PAZ	1	41	14	1	57	0.3%
MARICOPA	78	7,349	3,253	380	11,060	57.3%
MOHAVE	5	426	160	17	608	3.2%
NAVAJO	0	170	71	9	250	1.3%
PIMA	36	2,459	1,123	118	3,736	19.4%
PINAL	12	838	349	46	1,245	6.5%
SANTA CRUZ	1	52	25	6	84	0.4%
YAVAPAI	6	379	157	29	571	3.0%
YUMA	5	341	139	17	502	2.6%
STATEWIDE	149	12,817	5,630	678	19,274	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	66.5%	29.2%	3.5%	100.0%	

During this reporting period, there were 20,413 reports assigned for investigation. Of these, CPS completed 9,168 investigations or 44.9 percent. Investigations not completed remain open when the investigation is still in process, when the CPS specialist is waiting for the results of a law enforcement investigation and/or receipt of records that impact the investigation finding, or when the investigation has been completed but is awaiting supervisory review and approval.

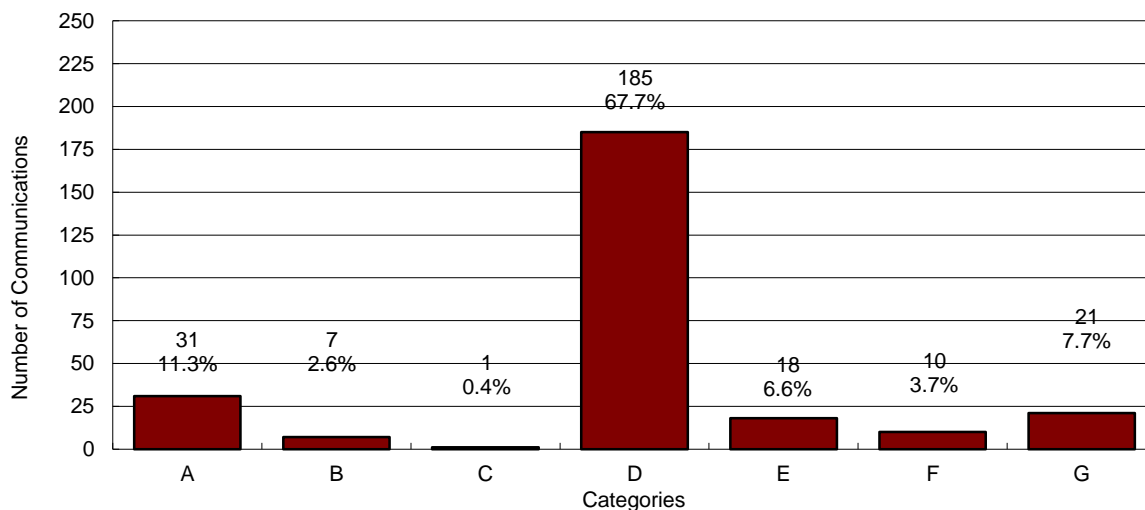
### **INVESTIGATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

**TABLE 10**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS NOT RESPONDED TO BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	0	0	480	384	864	91.6%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PIMA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PINAL	0	0	53	26	79	8.4%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	0	0	533	410	943	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	0.0%	56.5%	43.5%	100.0%	

By statute, a random sample of reports not responded to for the period is required. In addition, short descriptions of these reports are also required. For the current reporting period, there were 943 reports that were given an alternative assessment status. A random sample of 273 reports not responded to were reviewed. Chart 7 displays the 273 reports in brief descriptive categories.

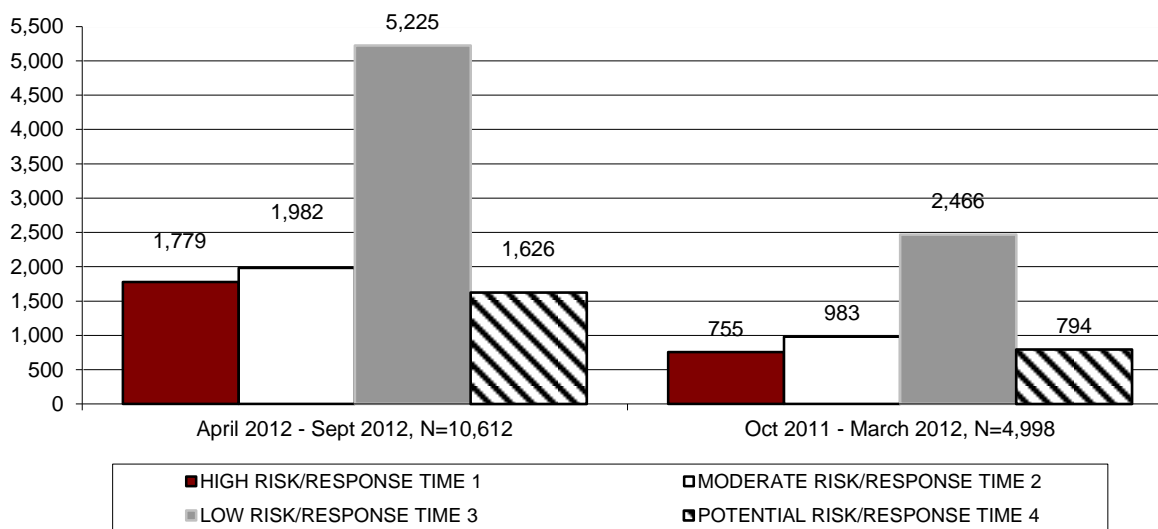
**CHART 7**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS NOT RESPONDED TO BY CATEGORY FOR THE PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**



N= 273

**A = Adolescent, Past Abuse, No Current Injuries**  
**B = Inadequate Housekeeping Standards**  
**C = Inappropriate Vehicle Operation**  
**D = No Specific Allegations**  
**E = Past Abuse no current injuries**  
**F = Adolescent, current minor injuries**  
**G = Non-adolescent, current minor injuries**

**CHART 8**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE**  
**TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION**



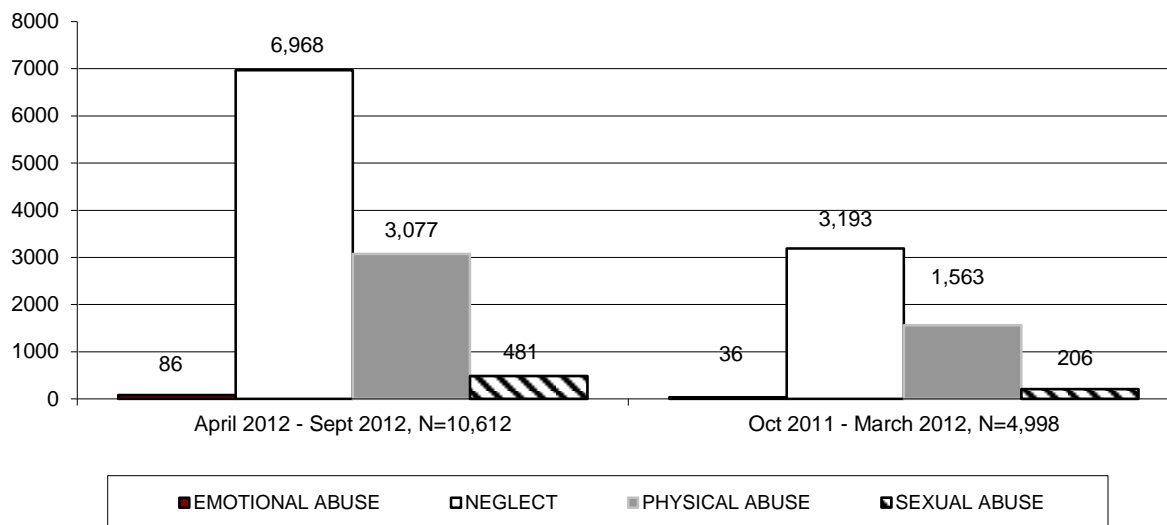
**TABLE 11**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR**  
**INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	5	2	3	11	0.1%
COCHISE	42	31	86	24	183	1.7%
COCONINO	17	17	42	14	90	0.9%
GILA	25	24	56	9	114	1.1%
GRAHAM	11	12	34	8	65	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	1	5	4	10	0.1%
LA PAZ	4	0	4	4	12	0.1%
MARICOPA	1,111	1,221	3,040	917	6,289	59.2%
MOHAVE	39	44	137	16	236	2.2%
NAVAJO	26	26	33	18	103	1.0%
PIMA	280	347	1,187	415	2,229	21.0%
PINAL	146	166	400	113	825	7.8%
SANTA CRUZ	11	6	22	7	46	0.4%
YAVAPAI	29	50	87	30	196	1.9%
YUMA	37	32	90	44	203	1.9%
STATEWIDE	1,779	1,982	5,225	1,626	10,612	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	16.8%	18.7%	49.2%	15.3%	100.0%	

**TABLE 12**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR**  
**INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	1	1	2	0	4	0.1%
COCHISE	8	15	41	8	72	1.4%
COCONINO	8	15	37	12	72	1.4%
GILA	7	10	15	5	37	0.7%
GRAHAM	3	3	2	5	13	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	1	3	0	4	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	0	3	2	5	0.1%
MARICOPA	485	582	1,328	404	2,799	56.0%
MOHAVE	15	19	32	8	74	1.5%
NAVAJO	5	4	9	4	22	0.4%
PIMA	125	193	641	249	1,208	24.2%
PINAL	66	105	255	60	486	9.7%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	2	1	3	0.1%
YAVAPAI	7	10	26	6	49	1.0%
YUMA	25	25	70	30	150	3.0%
STATEWIDE	755	983	2,466	794	4,998	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	15.1%	19.7%	49.3%	15.9%	100.0%	

**CHART 9**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**FOR REPORTS OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION**



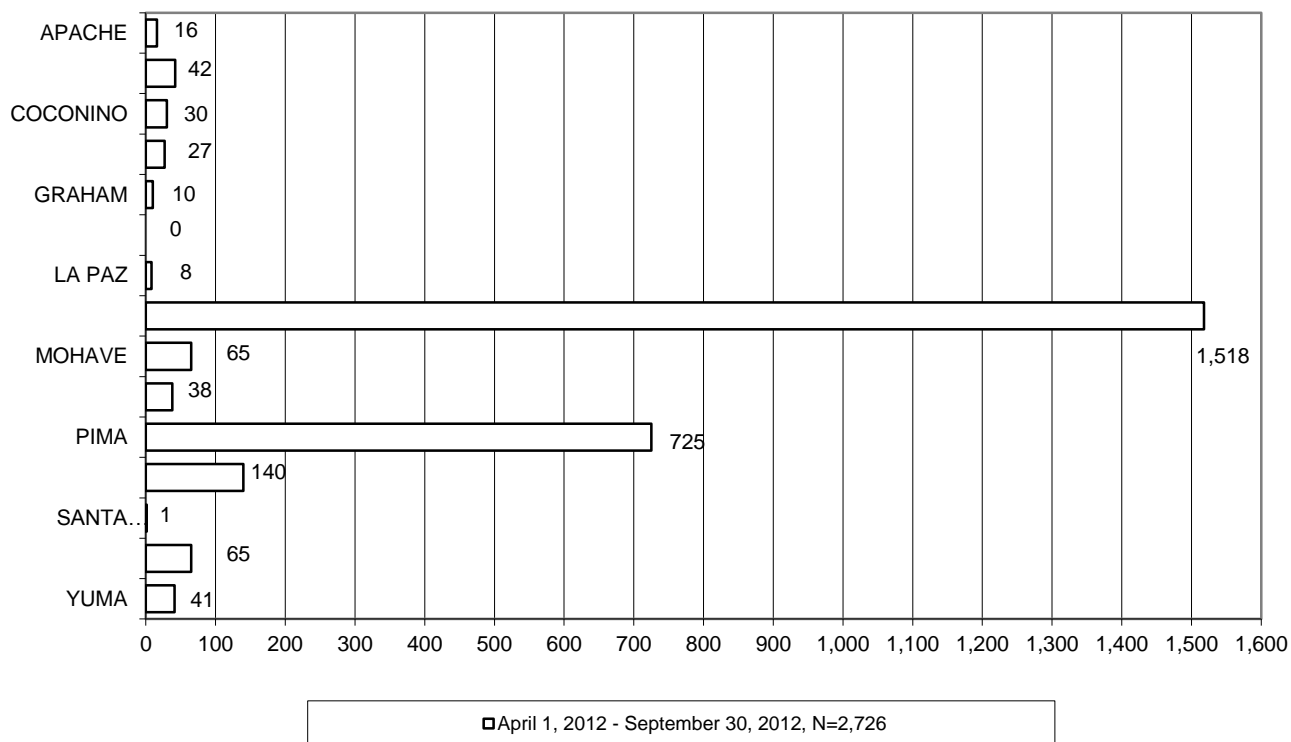
**TABLE 13**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS**  
**OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	9	0	2	11	0.1%
COCHISE	1	131	40	11	183	1.7%
COCONINO	1	54	30	5	90	0.9%
GILA	2	77	31	4	114	1.1%
GRAHAM	1	45	19	0	65	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	6	2	2	10	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	7	4	1	12	0.1%
MARICOPA	46	4,128	1,846	269	6,289	59.2%
MOHAVE	2	159	66	9	236	2.2%
NAVAJO	2	70	26	5	103	1.0%
PIMA	19	1,445	659	106	2,229	21.0%
PINAL	8	552	224	41	825	7.8%
SANTA CRUZ	1	27	16	2	46	0.4%
YAVAPAI	1	127	61	7	196	1.9%
YUMA	2	131	53	17	203	1.9%
STATEWIDE	86	6,968	3,077	481	10,612	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.8%	65.7%	29.0%	4.5%	100.0%	

**TABLE 14**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT AND COUNTY FOR REPORTS**  
**OPEN FOR INVESTIGATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	2	2	0	4	0.1%
COCHISE	0	48	19	5	72	1.4%
COCONINO	0	41	27	4	72	1.4%
GILA	0	26	10	1	37	0.7%
GRAHAM	0	9	3	1	13	0.3%
GREENLEE	0	3	1	0	4	0.1%
LA PAZ	1	3	1	0	5	0.1%
MARICOPA	19	1,781	893	106	2,799	56.0%
MOHAVE	1	52	19	2	74	1.5%
NAVAJO	0	17	4	1	22	0.4%
PIMA	8	765	377	58	1,208	24.2%
PINAL	5	313	149	19	486	9.7%
SANTA CRUZ	0	2	1	0	3	0.1%
YAVAPAI	0	32	16	1	49	1.0%
YUMA	2	99	41	8	150	3.0%
STATEWIDE	36	3,193	1,563	206	4,998	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	63.9%	31.3%	4.1%	100.0%	

**CHART 10**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION WHERE A REMOVAL**  
**OCCURRED**



**TABLE 15**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A**  
**REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD WAS PLACED IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE
APACHE	70	16	22.9%
COCHISE	464	42	9.1%
COCONINO	333	30	9.0%
GILA	187	27	14.4%
GRAHAM	101	10	9.9%
GREENLEE	21	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	67	8	11.9%
MARICOPA	11,836	1,518	12.8%
MOHAVE	649	65	10.0%
NAVAJO	283	38	13.4%
PIMA	3,964	725	18.3%
PINAL	1,315	140	10.6%
SANTA CRUZ	108	1	0.9%
YAVAPAI	619	65	10.5%
YUMA	396	41	10.4%
STATEWIDE	20,413	2,726	13.4%

**TABLE 16**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY COUNTY WHERE A**  
**REMOVAL OCCURRED FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED	NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED WITH A REMOVAL	% OF REPORTS WHERE A CHILD WAS PLACED IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE
APACHE	63	9	14.3%
COCHISE	427	25	5.9%
COCONINO	356	24	6.7%
GILA	181	18	9.9%
GRAHAM	113	12	10.6%
GREENLEE	21	2	9.5%
LA PAZ	57	4	7.0%
MARICOPA	11,060	1,334	12.1%
MOHAVE	608	47	7.7%
NAVAJO	250	33	13.2%
PIMA	3,736	587	15.7%
PINAL	1,245	137	11.0%
SANTA CRUZ	84	7	8.3%
YAVAPAI	571	71	12.4%
YUMA	502	37	7.4%
STATEWIDE	19,274	2,347	12.2%

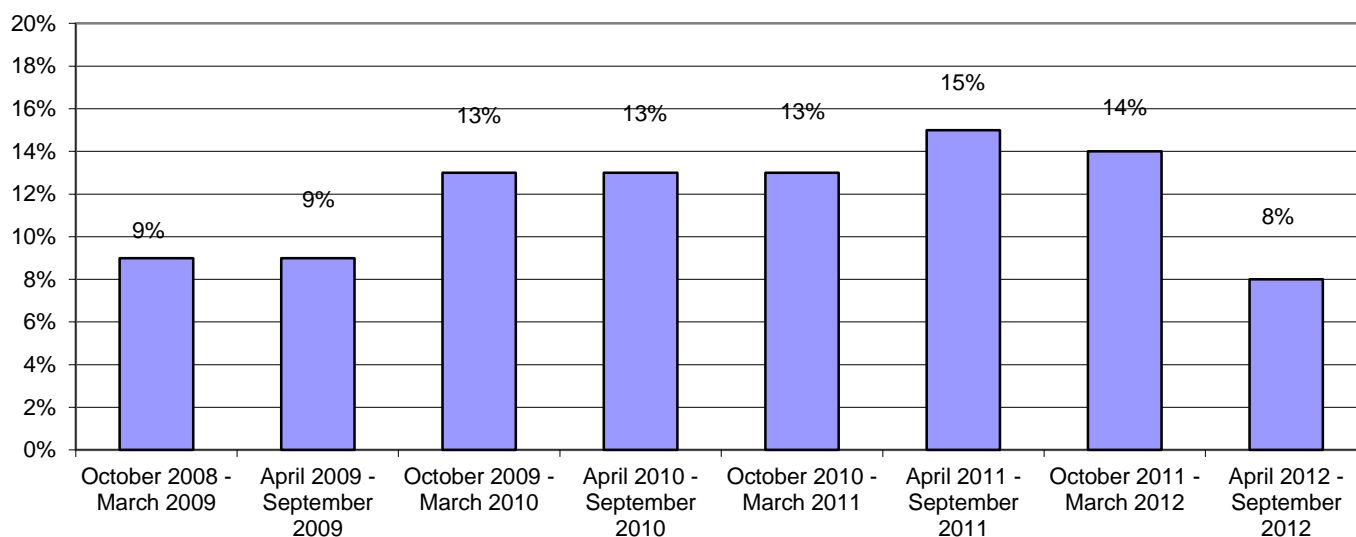
**COMPLETED INVESTIGATIONS**

Substantiated reports are reports where the Department has determined that at least one of the allegations in the report of abuse and/or neglect is true. The number of reports that are considered substantiated are a subset of the total number of reports that were received, investigated, and closed during the reporting period.

The preliminary number of CPS reports that are substantiated for this reporting period is 1,704. For the prior reporting period, the number of CPS reports that were assigned for investigation that resulted in substantiated findings was revised from 1,310 to 2,748 to reflect subsequent decisions based on parents' rights to due process. For the current reporting period, 47.2 percent of substantiated investigative findings were classified as response time 1; 23.9 percent as response time 2; 22.6 percent as response time 3; and 6.3 percent as response time 4. Prior to October 1, 2009 potential risk (response time 4) reports were not substantiated by CPS. For the prior reporting period, 43.8 percent of substantiated investigative findings were classified as response time 1; 23.5 percent as response time 2; 23.9 percent as response time 3; and 8.8 percent as response time 4.

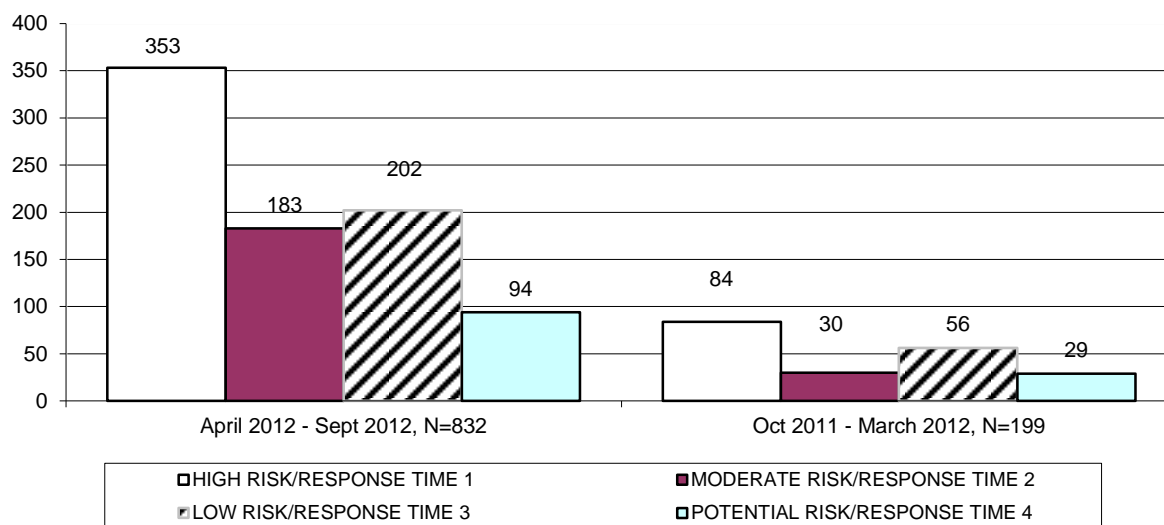
- There were 20,413 reports received during the current reporting period that were subject to substantiation. This results in a preliminary substantiation rate of eight percent for the current reporting period.
- There were 19,274 reports received during the prior reporting period that were subject to substantiation. This results in a 14 percent substantiation rate for the prior reporting period.

**CHART 11  
SUBSTANTIATION RATE BY REPORTING PERIOD**





**CHART 12**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION**



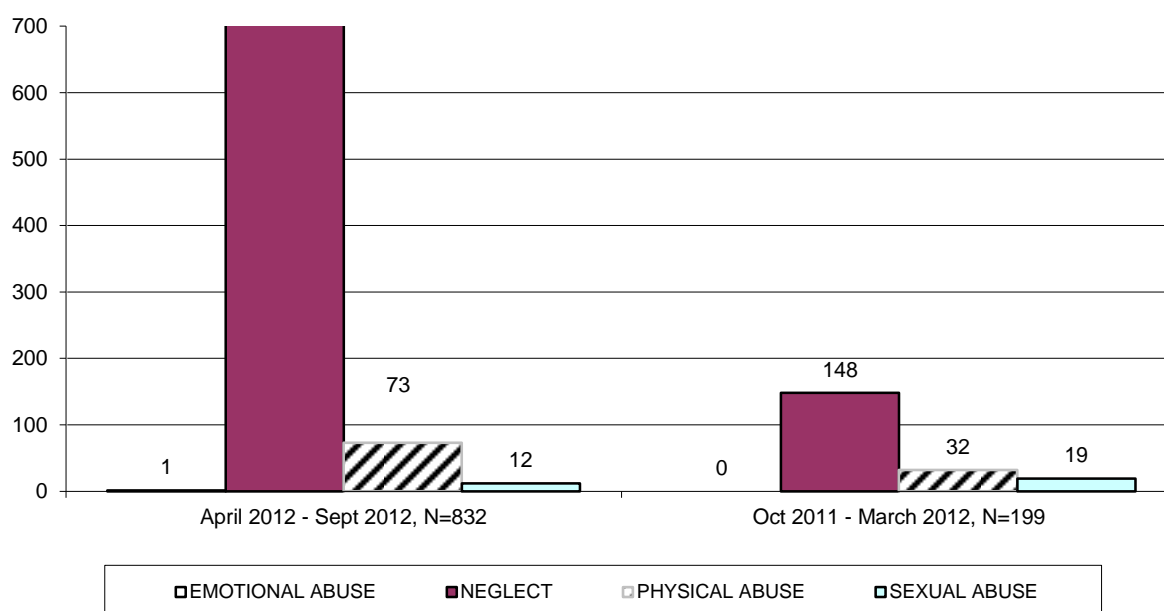
**TABLE 17**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	1	1	0	2	0.2%
COCHISE	6	2	2	0	10	1.2%
COCONINO	5	4	5	1	15	1.8%
GILA	4	0	2	0	6	0.7%
GRAHAM	2	0	0	0	2	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	212	114	117	73	516	62.1%
MOHAVE	14	3	6	1	24	2.9%
NAVAJO	3	3	1	0	7	0.8%
PIMA	68	40	44	11	163	19.7%
PINAL	23	6	10	5	44	5.3%
SANTA CRUZ	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	11	8	8	3	30	3.6%
YUMA	4	2	6	0	12	1.4%
STATEWIDE	353	183	202	94	832	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	42.4%	22.0%	24.3%	11.3%	100.0%	

**TABLE 18**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	1	0	1	0.5%
COCHISE	2	1	0	0	3	1.5%
COCONINO	1	0	1	0	2	1.0%
GILA	3	1	1	1	6	3.0%
GRAHAM	1	1	0	0	2	1.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	1	1	0.5%
MARICOPA	60	15	36	20	131	65.8%
MOHAVE	3	3	0	0	6	3.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	1	0	1	0.5%
PIMA	3	4	8	3	18	9.1%
PINAL	11	1	4	4	20	10.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	1	0	1	0.5%
YAVAPAI	0	2	3	0	5	2.5%
YUMA	0	2	0	0	2	1.0%
STATEWIDE	84	30	56	29	199	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	42.2%	15.1%	28.1%	14.6%	100%	

**CHART 13**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION**



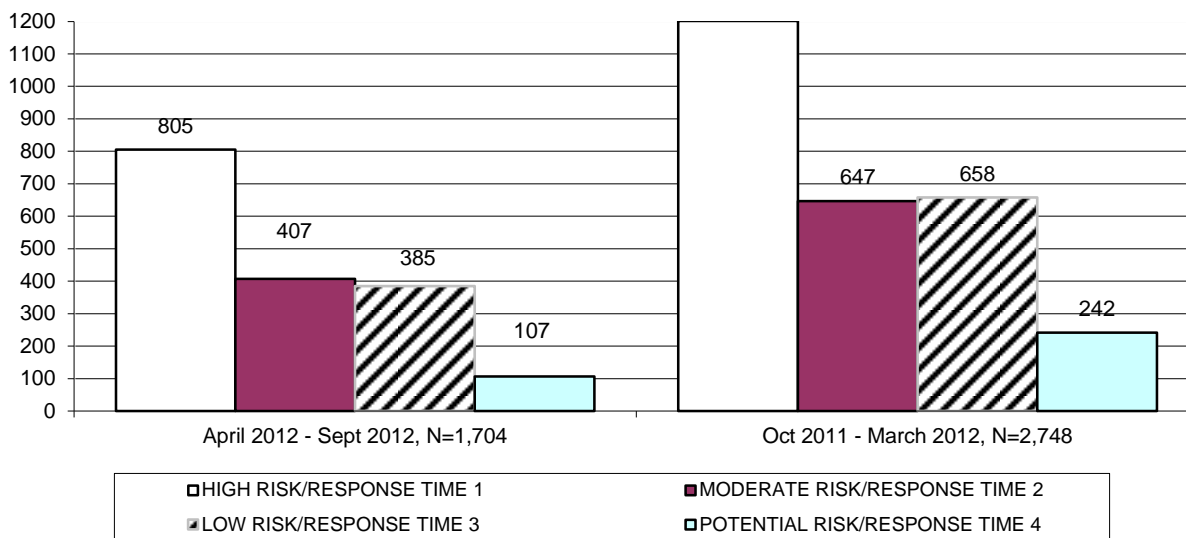
**TABLE 19**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	1	1	0	2	0.2%
COCHISE	0	9	1	0	10	1.2%
COCONINO	0	13	1	1	15	1.8%
GILA	0	6	0	0	6	0.7%
GRAHAM	0	2	0	0	2	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	0	459	47	10	516	62.1%
MOHAVE	0	19	4	1	24	2.9%
NAVAJO	0	7	0	0	7	0.8%
PIMA	1	150	12	0	163	19.7%
PINAL	0	41	3	0	44	5.3%
SANTA CRUZ	0	1	0	0	1	0.1%
YAVAPAI	0	28	2	0	30	3.6%
YUMA	0	10	2	0	12	1.4%
STATEWIDE	1	746	73	12	832	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.1%	89.7%	8.8%	1.4%	100.0%	

**TABLE 20**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN PROPOSED SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	1	0	0	1	0.5%
COCHISE	0	3	0	0	3	1.5%
COCONINO	0	1	1	0	2	1.0%
GILA	0	6	0	0	6	3.0%
GRAHAM	0	2	0	0	2	1.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	1	0	0	1	0.5%
MARICOPA	0	93	23	15	131	65.8%
MOHAVE	0	5	0	1	6	3.0%
NAVAJO	0	1	0	0	1	0.5%
PIMA	0	15	2	1	18	9.1%
PINAL	0	15	3	2	20	10.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	1	0	1	0.5%
YAVAPAI	0	3	2	0	5	2.5%
YUMA	0	2	0	0	2	1.0%
STATEWIDE	0	148	32	19	199	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.0%	74.3%	16.1%	9.6%	100.0%	

**CHART 14**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION**



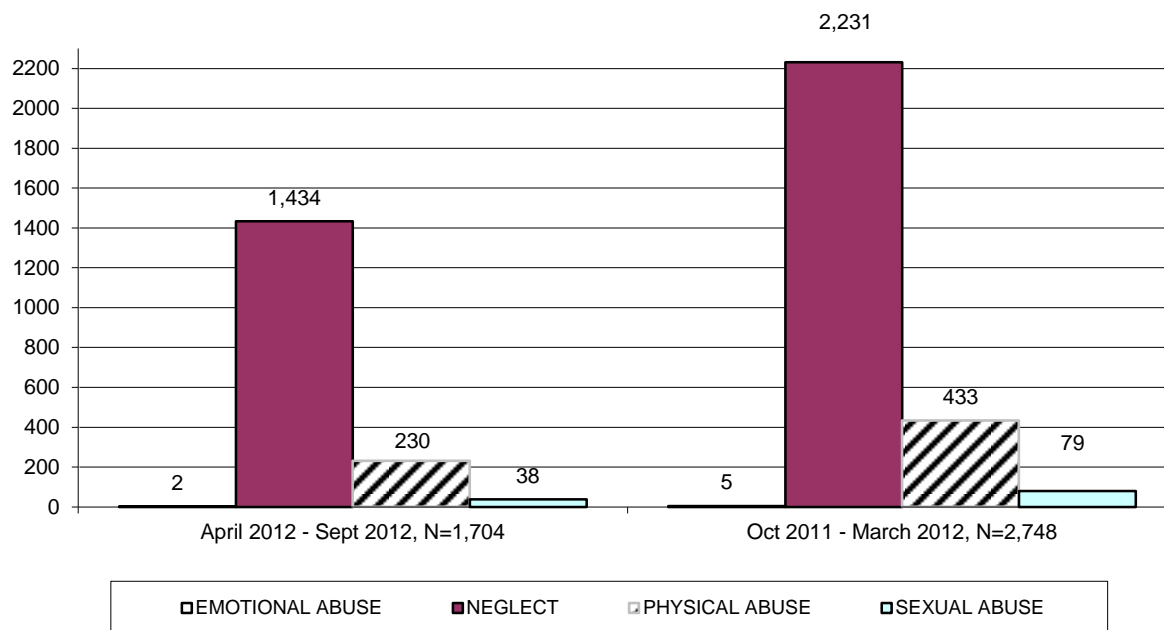
**TABLE 21**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	4	1	6	0	11	0.7%
COCHISE	10	5	9	0	24	1.4%
COCONINO	9	5	5	1	20	1.2%
GILA	7	2	1	0	10	0.6%
GRAHAM	0	3	1	0	4	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	5	0	4	1	10	0.6%
MARICOPA	453	218	210	82	963	56.4%
MOHAVE	16	9	10	0	35	2.1%
NAVAJO	11	2	2	0	15	0.9%
PIMA	200	130	98	16	444	26.0%
PINAL	48	14	6	2	70	4.1%
SANTA CRUZ	3	2	0	0	5	0.3%
YAVAPAI	19	11	21	2	53	3.1%
YUMA	20	5	12	3	40	2.4%
STATEWIDE	805	407	385	107	1,704	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	47.2%	23.9%	22.6%	6.3%	100%	

**TABLE 22**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	2	2	4	0	8	0.3%
COCHISE	14	7	12	0	33	1.2%
COCONINO	11	14	10	2	37	1.4%
GILA	6	6	8	2	22	0.8%
GRAHAM	4	3	5	0	12	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	1	0	0	1	<0.1%
LA PAZ	3	3	4	0	10	0.4%
MARICOPA	744	329	333	167	1,573	57.2%
MOHAVE	34	13	11	2	60	2.2%
NAVAJO	12	12	11	0	35	1.3%
PIMA	233	198	168	42	641	23.3%
PINAL	66	22	26	9	123	4.5%
SANTA CRUZ	6	3	5	0	14	0.5%
YAVAPAI	36	23	30	11	100	3.6%
YUMA	30	11	31	7	79	2.9%
STATEWIDE	1,201	647	658	242	2,748	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	43.8%	23.5%	23.9%	8.8%	100.0%	

**CHART 15**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION**



**TABLE 23**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

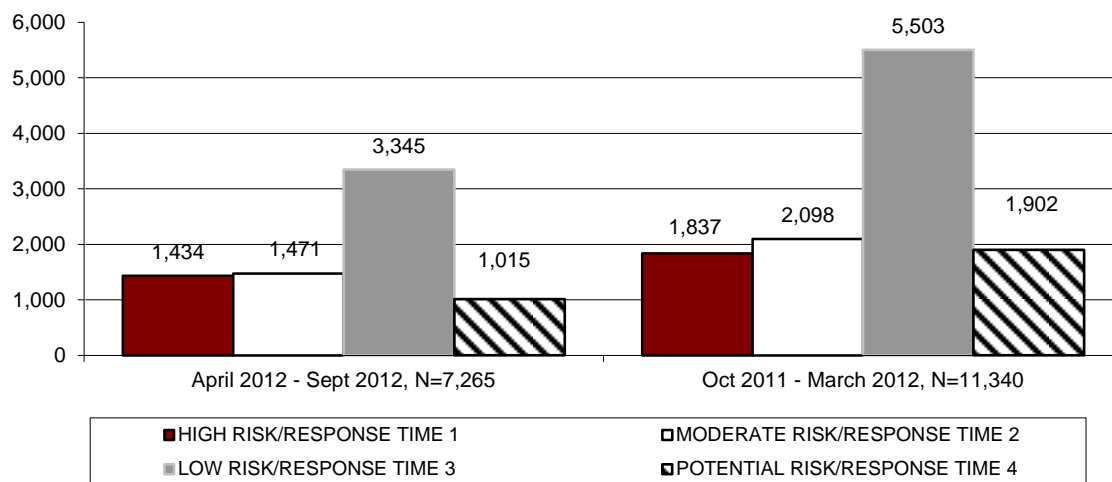
COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	10	1	0	11	0.7%
COCHISE	0	16	6	2	24	1.4%
COCONINO	0	14	5	1	20	1.2%
GILA	0	8	2	0	10	0.6%
GRAHAM	0	4	0	0	4	0.2%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	7	1	2	10	0.6%
MARICOPA	0	818	121	24	963	56.4%
MOHAVE	0	28	6	1	35	2.1%
NAVAJO	0	13	1	1	15	0.9%
PIMA	2	378	60	4	444	26.0%
PINAL	0	60	8	2	70	4.1%
SANTA CRUZ	0	5	0	0	5	0.3%
YAVAPAI	0	40	13	0	53	3.1%
YUMA	0	33	6	1	40	2.4%
STATEWIDE	2	1,434	230	38	1,704	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.1%	84.2%	13.5%	2.2%	100.0%	

**TABLE 24**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN SUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	7	1	0	8	0.3%
COCHISE	1	23	9	0	33	1.2%
COCONINO	0	27	9	1	37	1.4%
GILA	0	16	5	1	22	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	11	0	1	12	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	1	0	0	1	<0.1%
LA PAZ	0	9	1	0	10	0.4%
MARICOPA	0	1,288	231	54	1,573	57.2%
MOHAVE	0	50	9	1	60	2.2%
NAVAJO	0	27	8	0	35	1.3%
PIMA	4	515	112	10	641	23.3%
PINAL	0	101	21	1	123	4.5%
SANTA CRUZ	0	11	1	2	14	0.5%
YAVAPAI	0	78	15	7	100	3.6%
YUMA	0	67	11	1	79	2.9%
STATEWIDE	5	2,231	433	79	2,748	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.2%	81.1%	15.8%	2.9%	100.0%	

The preliminary number of CPS investigations that resulted in an unsubstantiated finding for this reporting period was 7,265. For the prior reporting period, the number of CPS reports that were unsubstantiated was revised from 6,846 to 11,340 to reflect updated information in the CHILDS case management information system. For the prior reporting period, 16.2 percent of unsubstantiated reports were classified as response time 1, 18.5 percent as response time 2, 48.5 percent as response time 3, and 16.8 percent as response time 4. One percent of these unsubstantiated reports related to emotional abuse, 64.0 percent to neglect, 31.7 percent to physical abuse, and 3.3 percent to sexual abuse.

**CHART 16**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RISK LEVEL/RESPONSE**  
**TIME AND REPORTING PERIOD THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION**



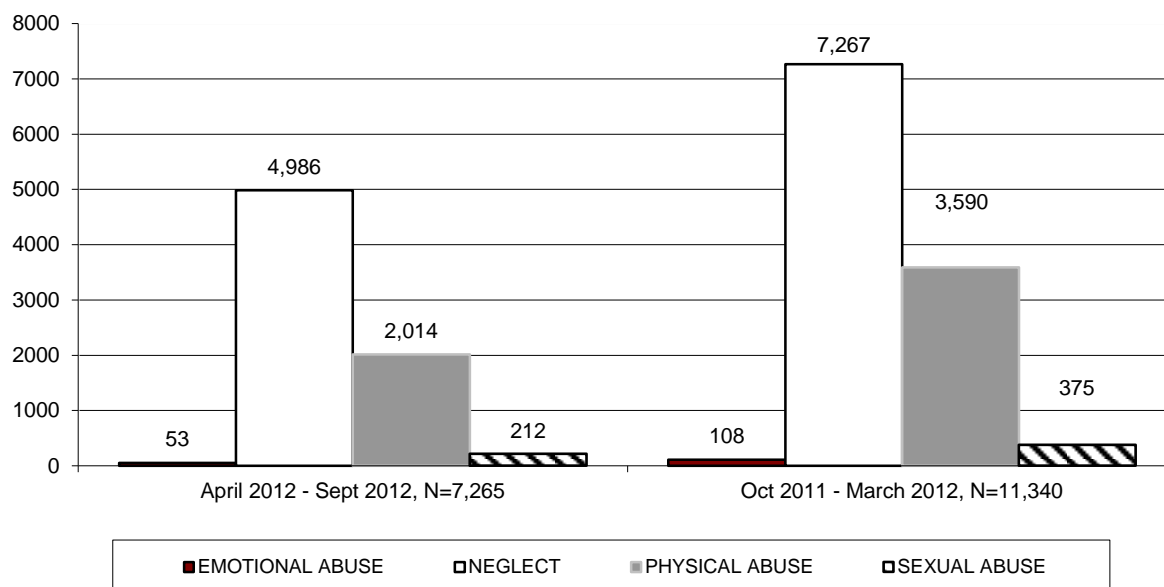
**TABLE 25**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	4	11	24	7	46	0.6%
COCHISE	54	45	119	29	247	3.4%
COCONINO	39	38	108	23	208	2.9%
GILA	15	11	24	7	57	0.8%
GRAHAM	4	9	16	1	30	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	2	8	1	11	0.2%
LA PAZ	3	7	32	3	45	0.6%
MARICOPA	877	848	1,794	549	4,068	55.9%
MOHAVE	74	83	163	34	354	4.9%
NAVAJO	27	30	73	28	158	2.2%
PIMA	177	223	555	173	1,128	15.5%
PINAL	89	66	156	65	376	5.2%
SANTA CRUZ	15	5	28	8	56	0.8%
YAVAPAI	33	67	183	57	340	4.7%
YUMA	23	26	62	30	141	1.9%
STATEWIDE	1,434	1,471	3,345	1,015	7,265	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	19.7%	20.3%	46.0%	14.0%	100.0%	

**TABLE 26**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY RESPONSE TIME AND**  
**COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	RESPONSE TIME 1	RESPONSE TIME 2	RESPONSE TIME 3	RESPONSE TIME 4	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	11	8	21	10	50	0.4%
COCHISE	46	76	146	52	320	2.8%
COCONINO	30	41	127	48	246	2.2%
GILA	11	18	63	23	115	1.0%
GRAHAM	9	23	39	15	86	0.8%
GREENLEE	1	8	5	2	16	0.1%
LA PAZ	6	11	21	6	44	0.4%
MARICOPA	1,137	1,184	3,204	1,049	6,574	58.0%
MOHAVE	67	101	205	80	453	4.0%
NAVAJO	28	39	88	37	192	1.7%
PIMA	264	340	927	343	1,874	16.5%
PINAL	130	125	265	94	614	5.4%
SANTA CRUZ	12	9	33	12	66	0.6%
YAVAPAI	40	76	221	80	417	3.7%
YUMA	45	39	138	51	273	2.4%
STATEWIDE	1,837	2,098	5,503	1,902	11,340	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	16.2%	18.5%	48.5%	16.8%	100.0%	

**CHART 17**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION BY REPORTING PERIOD**





**TABLE 27**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	31	13	2	46	0.6%
COCHISE	0	175	69	3	247	3.4%
COCONINO	1	137	66	4	208	2.9%
GILA	0	45	11	1	57	0.8%
GRAHAM	0	22	7	1	30	0.4%
GREENLEE	0	8	3	0	11	0.2%
LA PAZ	0	30	14	1	45	0.6%
MARICOPA	25	2,805	1,118	120	4,068	55.9%
MOHAVE	0	255	84	15	354	4.9%
NAVAJO	3	108	41	6	158	2.2%
PIMA	13	754	330	31	1,128	15.5%
PINAL	5	264	96	11	376	5.2%
SANTA CRUZ	0	36	18	2	56	0.8%
YAVAPAI	6	216	109	9	340	4.7%
YUMA	0	100	35	6	141	1.9%
STATEWIDE	53	4,986	2,014	212	7,265	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	0.7%	68.7%	27.7%	2.9%	100.0%	

**TABLE 28**  
**NUMBER OF REPORTS ASSIGNED FOR INVESTIGATION BY TYPE OF MALTREATMENT**  
**BY COUNTY THAT RESULTED IN UNSUBSTANTIATION FOR PERIOD OF**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

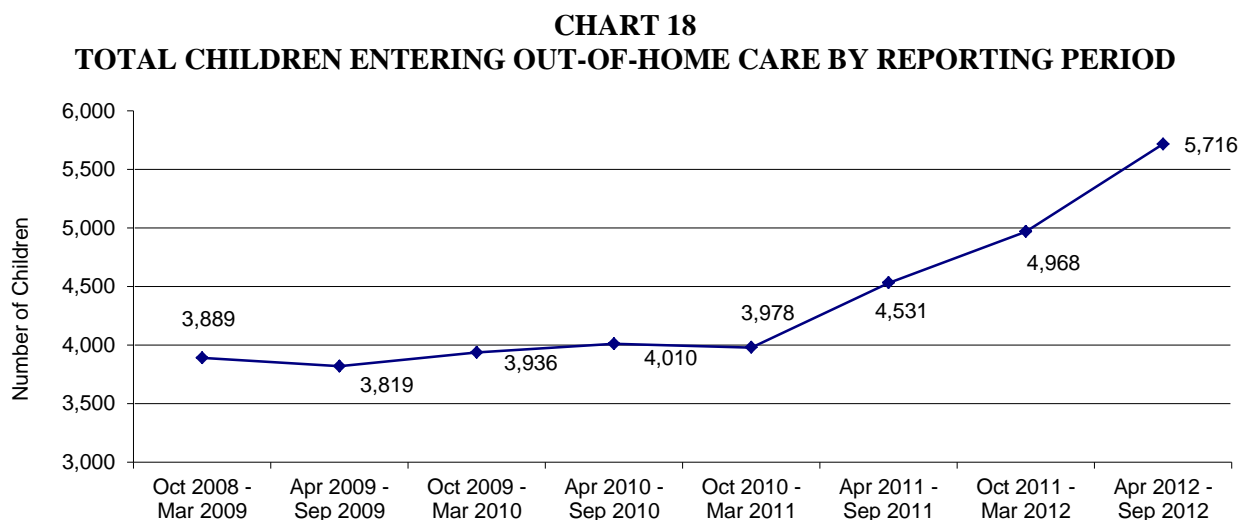
COUNTY	EMOTIONAL ABUSE	NEGLECT	PHYSICAL ABUSE	SEXUAL ABUSE	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	35	10	5	50	0.4%
COCHISE	1	203	101	15	320	2.8%
COCONINO	1	148	85	12	246	2.2%
GILA	1	72	35	7	115	1.0%
GRAHAM	1	65	17	3	86	0.8%
GREENLEE	0	13	3	0	16	0.1%
LA PAZ	0	30	13	1	44	0.4%
MARICOPA	59	4,200	2,110	205	6,574	58.0%
MOHAVE	4	306	130	13	453	4.0%
NAVAJO	1	126	58	7	192	1.7%
PIMA	23	1,177	624	50	1,874	16.5%
PINAL	7	407	176	24	614	5.4%
SANTA CRUZ	1	39	22	4	66	0.6%
YAVAPAI	7	265	124	21	417	3.7%
YUMA	2	181	82	8	273	2.4%
STATEWIDE	108	7,267	3,590	375	11,340	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	1.0%	64.0%	31.7%	3.3%	100.0%	

**SAFE HAVEN INFANTS**

There were three newborn infants delivered to Safe Haven providers during the April 2012 – September 2012 reporting period. This compares to no infants being delivered to Safe Haven providers during the October 2011 – March 2012 reporting period.

**CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

During this reporting period, 5,716 children entered care as compared to 4,968 children for the October 2011 through March 2012 reporting period. Chart 18 displays children entering out-of-home care by reporting period.

**CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE – VOLUNTARY SERVICES**

The number of children entering out-of-home placement through voluntary foster care agreements for this reporting period was 116, which represents 2.0 percent of the children entering care this reporting period. Table 29 shows the number of children entering out-of-home care through voluntary placements for the current reporting period by county. Voluntary foster care may be provided when the parents or legal guardians of a child have requested such assistance and have signed a legally binding written agreement, not to exceed 90 days, for the temporary placement of the child in foster care while risk factors are addressed to enable the child to live safely at home. A voluntary foster care agreement may be utilized only when the circumstances that brought the child into foster care are likely to be remedied within the 90 day period of time. A.R.S. § 8-806 authorizes the Department to provide voluntary foster care placement for children for a period not to exceed 90 days and no more than twice within 24 consecutive months.

**TABLE 29**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE**  
**VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN REMOVED WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	29	0.5%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	102	1.8%	6	5.2%
COCONINO	52	0.9%	6	5.2%
GILA	73	1.3%	4	3.5%
GRAHAM	34	0.6%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	1	<0.1%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	19	0.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3,238	56.6%	52	44.7%
MOHAVE	130	2.3%	4	3.5%
NAVAJO	68	1.2%	4	3.5%
PIMA	1,442	25.2%	32	27.5%
PINAL	313	5.5%	0	0.0%
SANTA CRUZ	3	0.1%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	121	2.1%	7	6.0%
YUMA	91	1.6%	1	0.9%
STATEWIDE	5,716	100.0%	116	100.0%

**TABLE 30**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY WHO ARE**  
**VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS	% OF CHILDREN REMOVED WHO ARE VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS
APACHE	20	0.4%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	43	0.9%	0	0.0%
COCONINO	51	1.0%	12	8.0%
GILA	24	0.5%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	31	0.6%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	14	0.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,847	57.3%	53	35.3%
MOHAVE	115	2.3%	4	2.7%
NAVAJO	79	1.6%	7	4.7%
PIMA	1,190	24.0%	68	45.3%
PINAL	302	6.1%	2	1.3%
SANTA CRUZ	17	0.3%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	150	3.0%	1	0.7%
YUMA	79	1.6%	3	2.0%
STATEWIDE	4,968	100.0%	150	100.0%

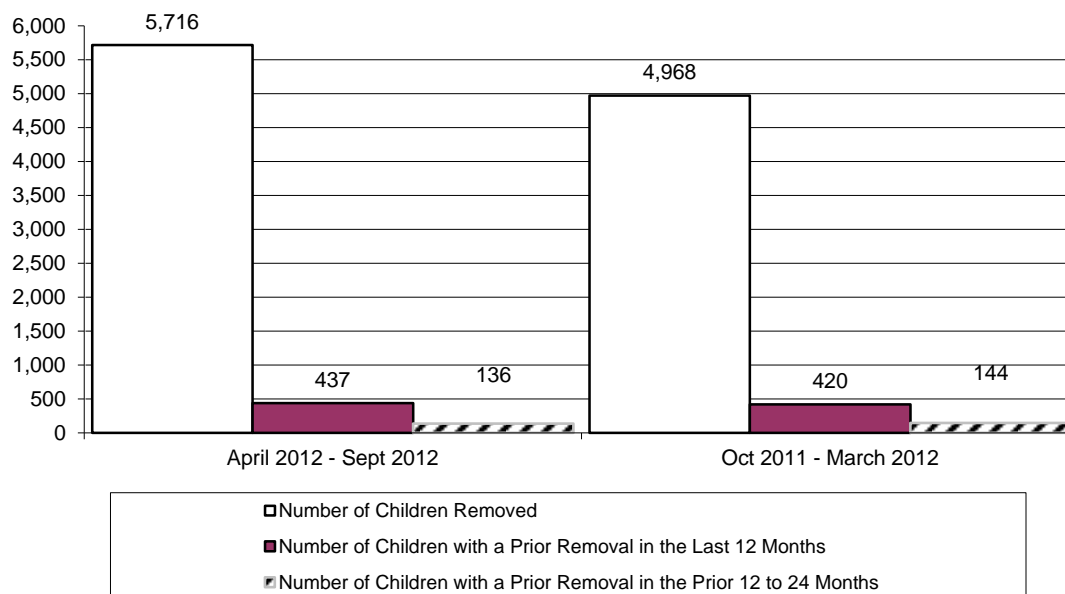
**TABLE 31**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	29	0.5%	1	3.4%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	102	1.8%	12	11.8%	10	9.8%
COCONINO	52	0.9%	7	13.5%	0	0.0%
GILA	73	1.3%	3	4.1%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	34	0.6%	5	14.7%	5	14.7%
GREENLEE	1	<0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	19	0.3%	1	5.3%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3,238	56.6%	188	5.8%	59	1.8%
MOHAVE	130	2.3%	18	13.8%	3	2.3%
NAVAJO	68	1.2%	16	23.5%	1	1.5%
PIMA	1,442	25.2%	144	10.0%	40	2.8%
PINAL	313	5.5%	33	10.5%	11	3.5%
SANTA CRUZ	3	0.1%	1	33.3%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	121	2.1%	6	5.0%	7	5.8%
YUMA	91	1.6%	2	2.2%	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	5,716	100.0%	437	7.6%	136	2.4%

**TABLE 32**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY COUNTY FOR THE**  
**PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2012**

COUNTY	NUMBER OF CHILDREN REMOVED	% OF TOTAL REMOVALS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS	NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS	% OF CHILDREN WITH A PRIOR REMOVAL IN THE PRIOR 12 TO 24 MONTHS
APACHE	20	0.4%	2	10.0%	0	0.0%
COCHISE	43	0.9%	2	4.7%	0	0.0%
COCONINO	51	1.0%	5	9.8%	3	5.9%
GILA	24	0.5%	2	8.3%	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	31	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	14	0.3%	1	7.1%	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	2,847	57.3%	225	7.9%	71	2.5%
MOHAVE	115	2.3%	15	13.0%	1	0.9%
NAVAJO	79	1.6%	19	24.1%	5	6.3%
PIMA	1,190	24.0%	118	9.9%	62	5.2%
PINAL	302	6.1%	22	7.3%	2	0.7%
SANTA CRUZ	17	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	150	3.0%	8	5.3%	0	0.0%
YUMA	79	1.6%	1	1.3%	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	4,968	100.0%	420	8.5%	144	2.9%

**CHART 19**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN ENTERING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD**



**CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE**

On September 30, 2012, there were 14,111 children in out-of-home care as compared to 12,453 children on March 31, 2012, an increase of 1,658 children. During this reporting period, 11,390 children or 80.8 percent were placed in family settings either with relatives or in foster homes. This compares to 10,048 or 80.6 percent of the children in the prior reporting period.

**CHART 20**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON THE LAST DAY OF THE**  
**REPORTING PERIOD BY REPORTING PERIOD**

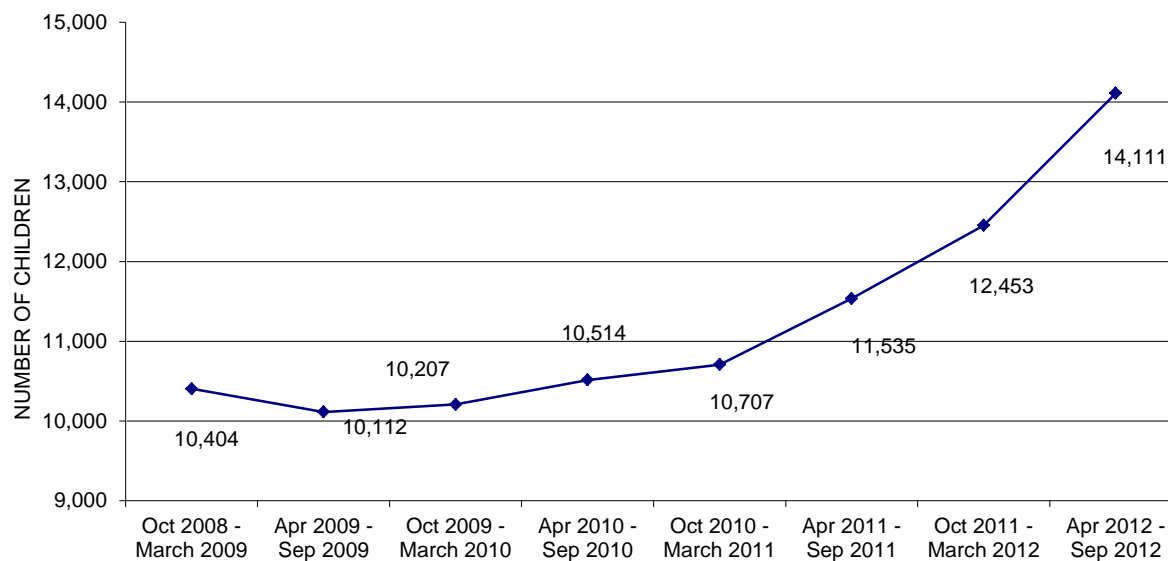
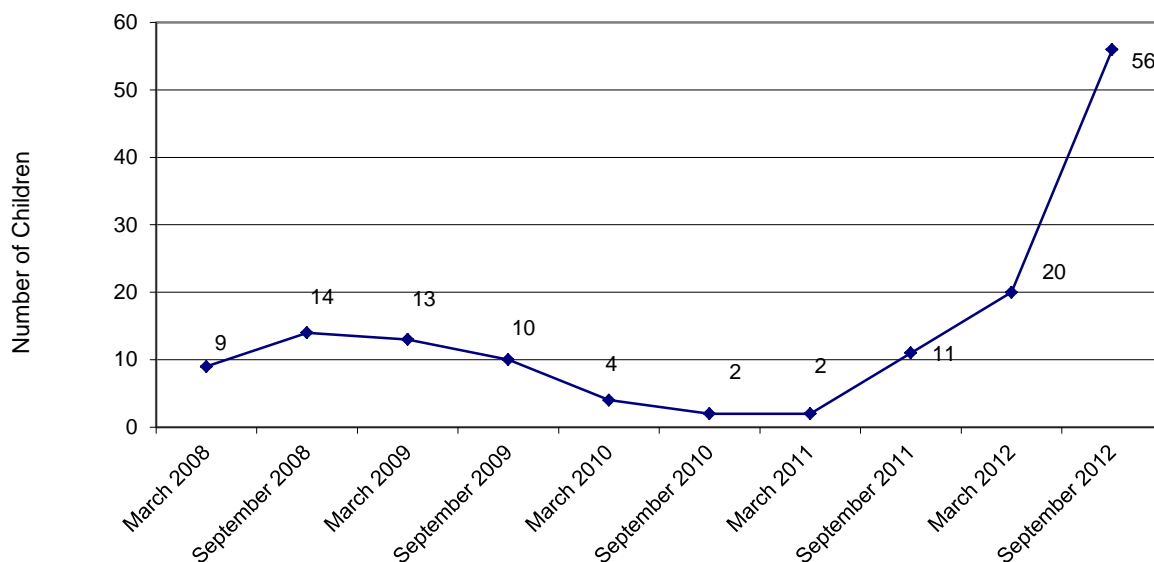


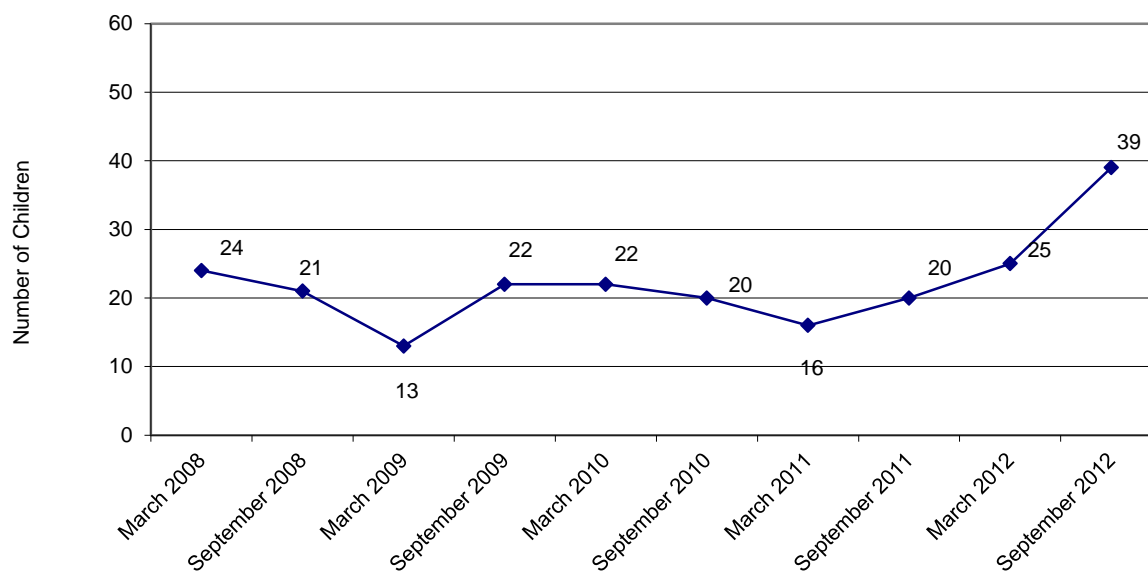
Chart 21 displays an increase in the number of young children ages 0-6 placed in group homes. Comparing March 2008 to September 2012, the number of young children in group homes increased by 47 children.

Chart 22 displays the increase in the number of young children ages 0-3 placed in shelter care. Comparing March 2008 to September 2012, the number of young children in shelters increased by 15 children. Chart 23 shows that the average length of time in shelter care has increased; comparing March 2008 to September 2012, the average length of stay in shelter increased from 103.4 to 158.5 days, an increase of 55.1 days or 53.3 percent.

**CHART 21**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN GROUP HOMES AGES 0 THROUGH 6<sup>3</sup>**

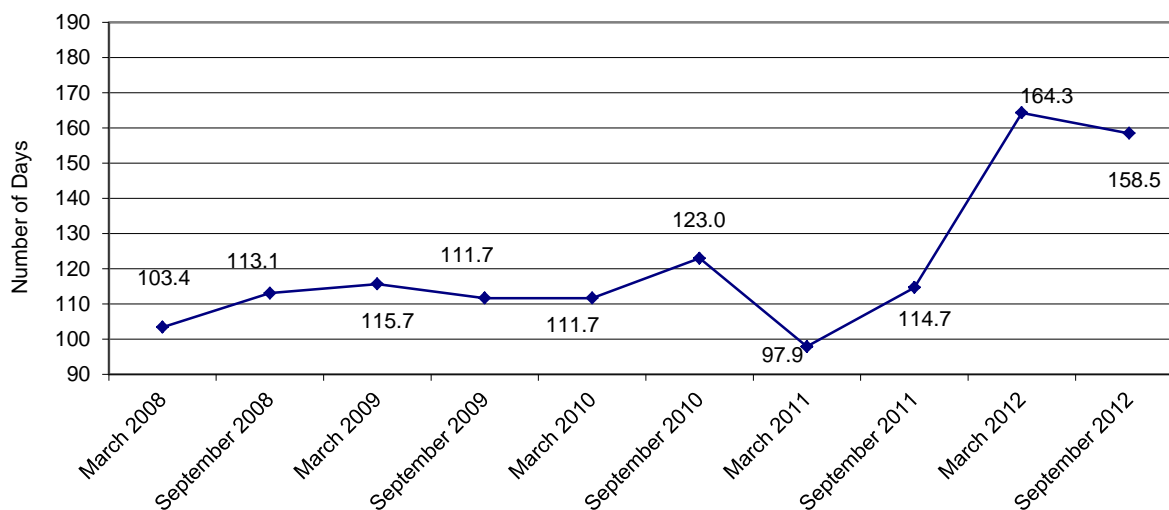


**CHART 22**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN SHELTER CARE AGES 0 THROUGH 3**



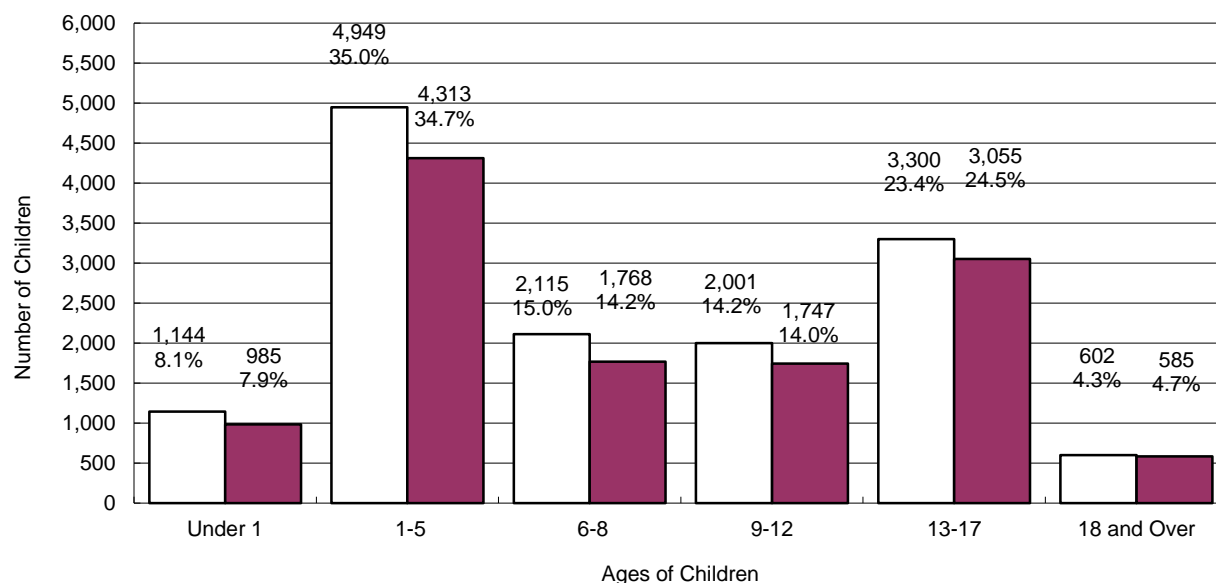
<sup>3</sup> Excludes infants placed with their mothers and children placed in foster home group models.

**CHART 23**  
**THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY FOR CHILDREN AGES 0 TO 3 IN A SHELTER PLACEMENT ON THE LAST DAY OF THE REPORTING PERIOD**



The majority of children in out-of-home care fall within the 1-5 age range (35.0 percent) and the 13-17 age range (23.4 percent). The majority of children in out-of-home care are either Caucasian (37.6 percent) or Hispanic (36.4 percent), followed by African American (13.9 percent).

**CHART 24**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY AGE**

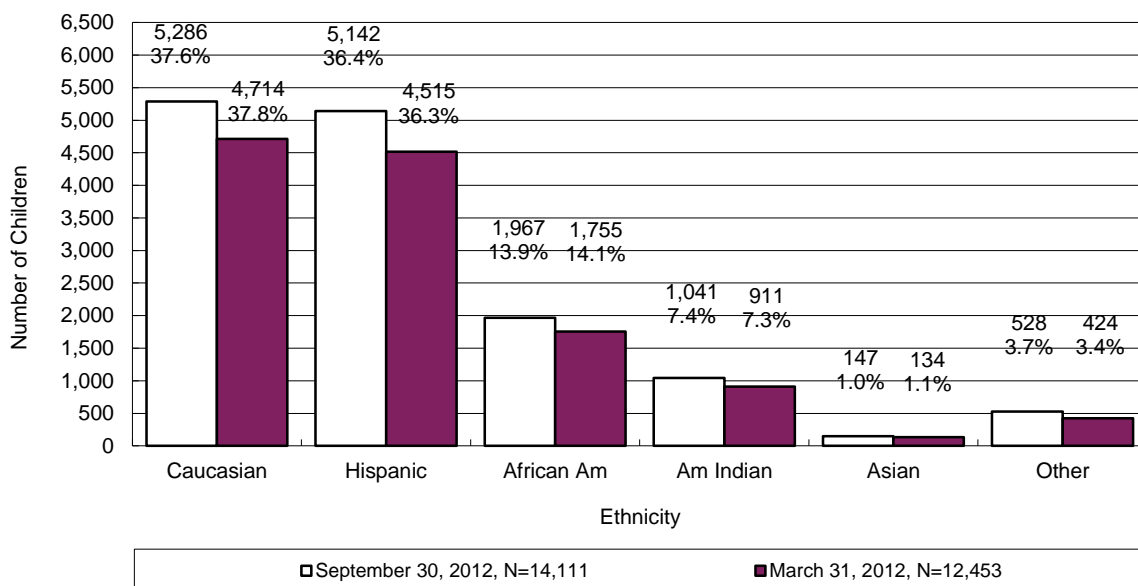


□ September 30, 2012, N=14,111

■ March 31, 2012, N=12,453

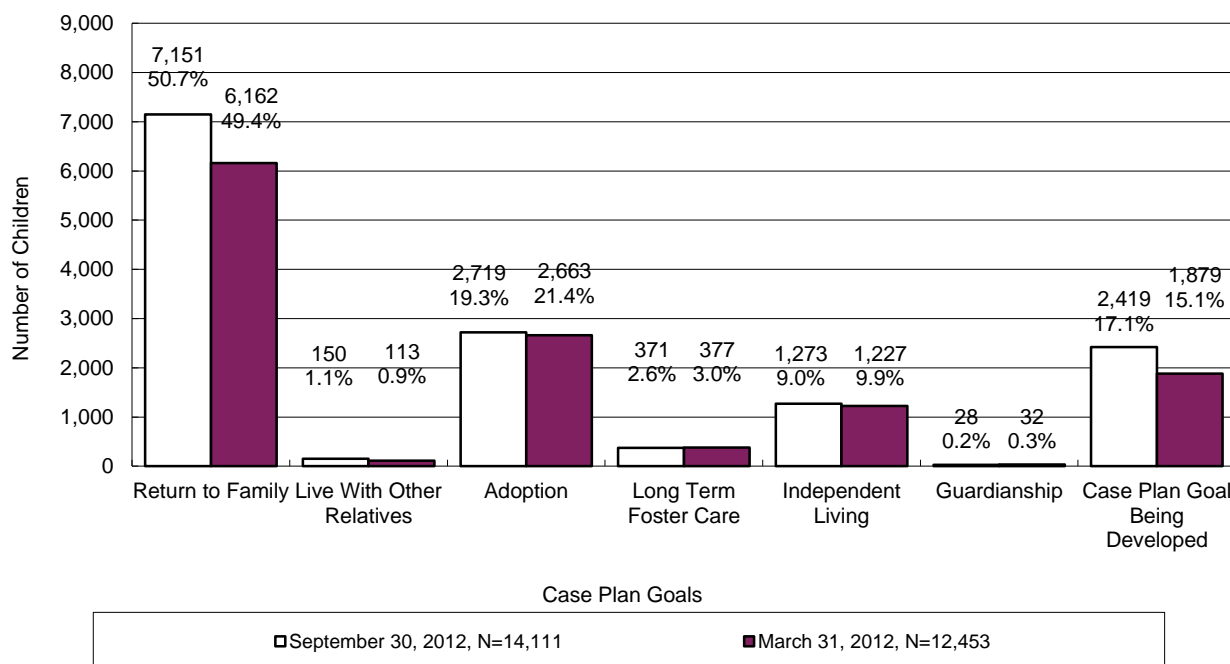


**CHART 25**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY ETHNICITY**

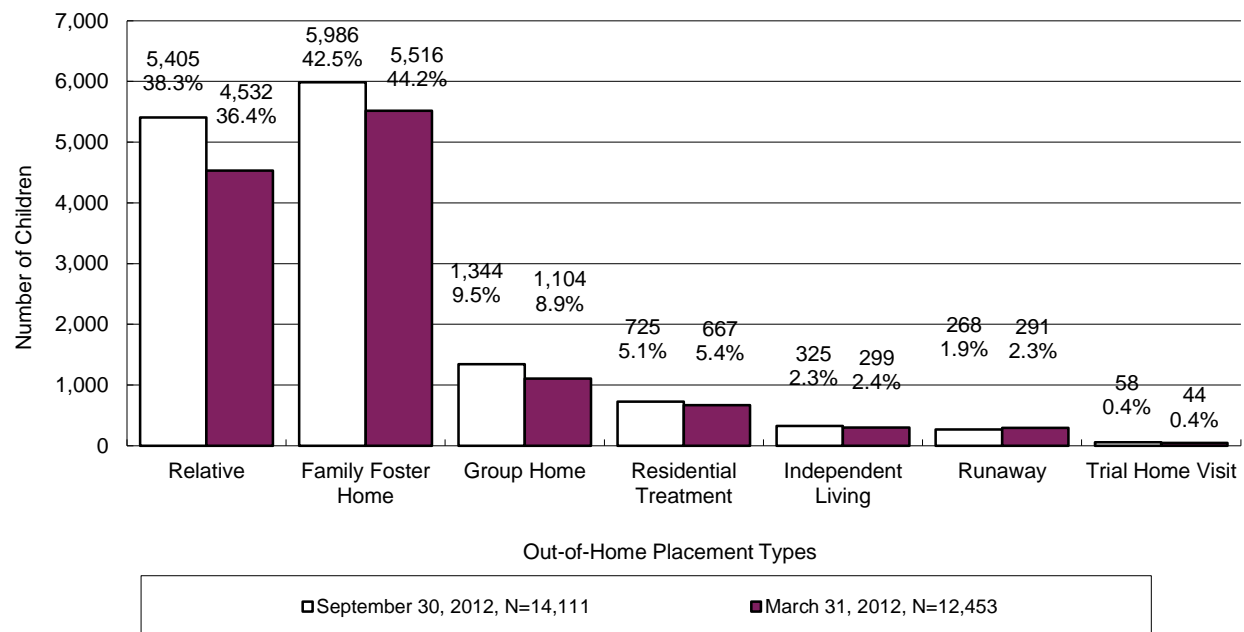


For 50.7 percent of the children in out-of-home care, family reunification remains the primary case plan goal. This is followed by: adoption, 19.3 percent; independent living, 9.0 percent; long-term foster care, 2.6 percent; live with other relative, 1.1 percent; and, guardianship at 0.2 percent. For the remaining 17.1 percent of the children, the case plan goal is in the process of development.

**CHART 26**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY CASE PLAN GOAL**



**CHART 27**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE**



**TABLE 33**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PLACEMENT TYPE AND AGE**

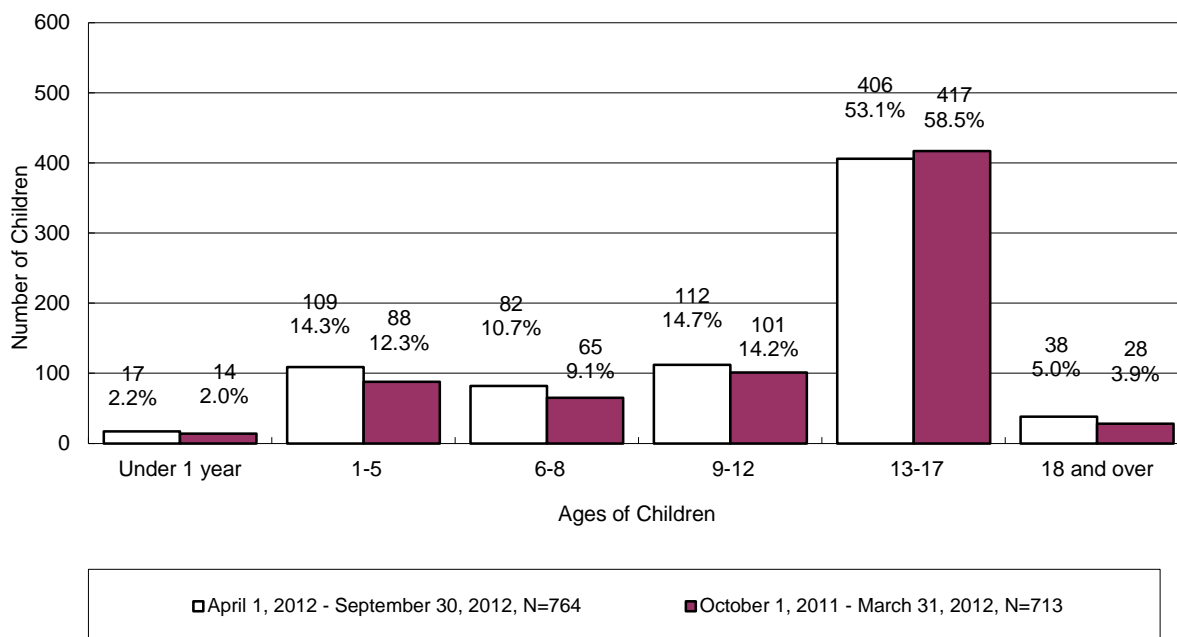
	RELATIVE	FAMILY FOSTER	GROUP HOME	RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT <sup>4</sup>	INDEPENDENT LIVING	RUNAWAY / ABSCONDED <sup>5</sup>	TRIAL HOME VISIT	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
<b>UNDER 1</b>	433	700	2	7	0	1	1	1,144	8.1%
<b>1</b>	519	671	1	9	0	0	2	1,202	8.5%
<b>2</b>	463	513	8	11	0	1	5	1,001	7.1%
<b>3</b>	476	456	9	16	0	0	3	960	6.8%
<b>4</b>	440	430	21	16	0	1	4	912	6.5%
<b>5</b>	416	419	15	16	0	1	7	874	6.2%
<b>6</b>	368	375	28	17	0	0	3	791	5.6%
<b>7</b>	354	301	36	12	0	0	3	706	5.0%
<b>8</b>	301	270	26	16	0	1	4	618	4.4%
<b>9</b>	242	239	44	13	0	0	2	540	3.8%
<b>10</b>	212	231	56	17	0	0	2	518	3.7%
<b>11</b>	199	188	57	18	0	0	4	466	3.3%
<b>12</b>	185	191	67	32	0	0	2	477	3.4%
<b>13</b>	176	178	102	52	0	0	2	510	3.6%
<b>14</b>	160	163	131	61	0	24	1	540	3.8%
<b>15</b>	149	203	190	94	0	41	5	682	4.8%
<b>16</b>	159	196	240	114	3	62	4	778	5.5%
<b>17</b>	126	183	255	116	9	98	3	790	5.6%
<b>18 AND OLDER</b>	27	79	56	88	313	38	1	602	4.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	5,405	5,986	1,344	725	325	268	58	14,111	100.0%
<b>% OF TOTAL</b>	38.3%	42.5%	9.5%	5.1%	2.3%	1.9%	0.4%	100.0%	

<sup>4</sup> This category includes shelter, detention, and hospital placement types.

<sup>5</sup> This category includes children whose parents absconded with the child(ren) during this reporting period.

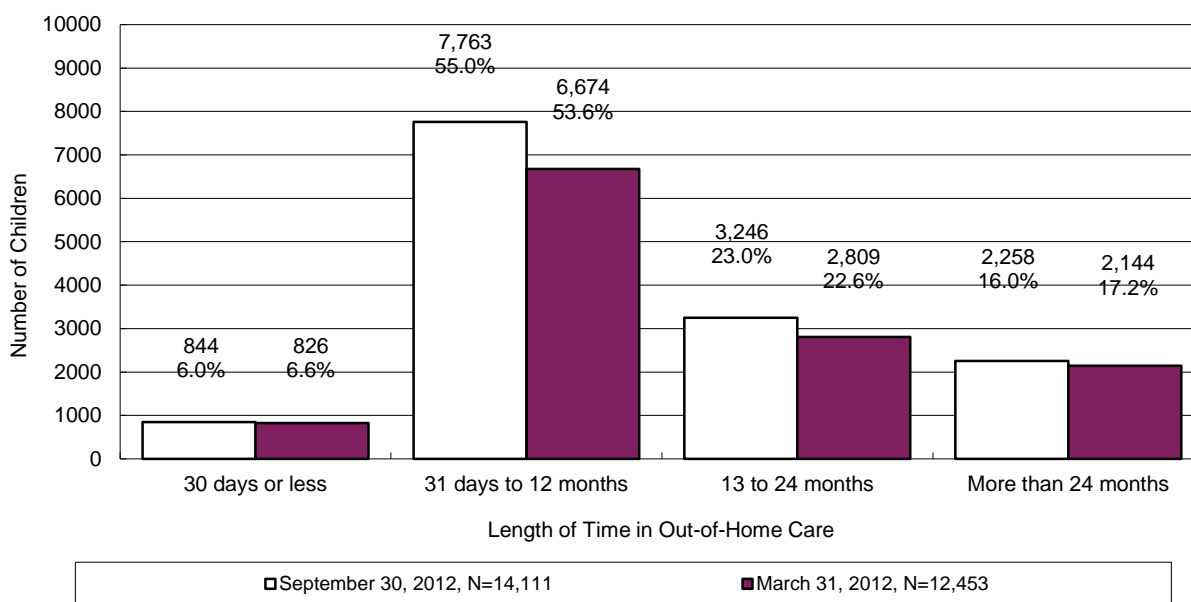
During the reporting period 764 children remained in a shelter or receiving home for more than 21 consecutive days. Chart 28 displays children in shelter more than 21 days for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012 and shows that 638 or 83.5 percent of the children were six years of age or older. In addition, 17 or 2.2 percent of the children were under one year old.

**CHART 28**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN IN SHELTER OR RECEIVING HOMES FOR MORE THAN 21 CONSECUTIVE DAYS BY AGE OF CHILD<sup>6</sup>**



<sup>6</sup> The chart displays children who spent more than 21 days in shelter during the period. This number differs from the other out-of-home charts as they display children in out-of-home care on the last day of the reporting period.

**CHART 29**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LENGTH OF TIME IN CARE**



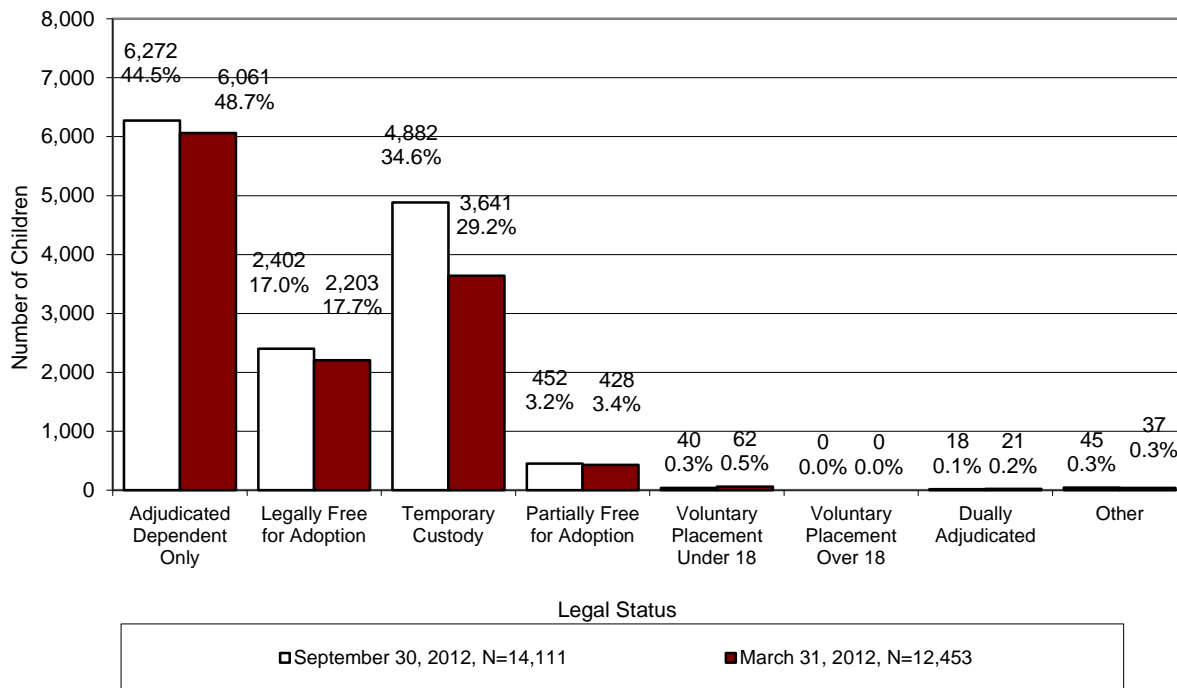
For the children in out-of-home care on September 30, 2012 the average number of placements was 2.4, the median number of placements was 2.0, and the range for the number of placements was 1 to 43 placements during their current removal episode.

**TABLE 34**  
**PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN**  
**OUT-OF-HOME CARE ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

	Placements
<b>Average</b>	2.4
<b>Median</b>	2.0
<b>Range Minimum</b>	1
<b>Range Maximum</b>	43 <sup>7</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Some children are so impacted by the severity of the abuse they have suffered that they become unable to form meaningful relationships or to respond to services. These children tend to go through multiple placements with numerous individuals and agencies.

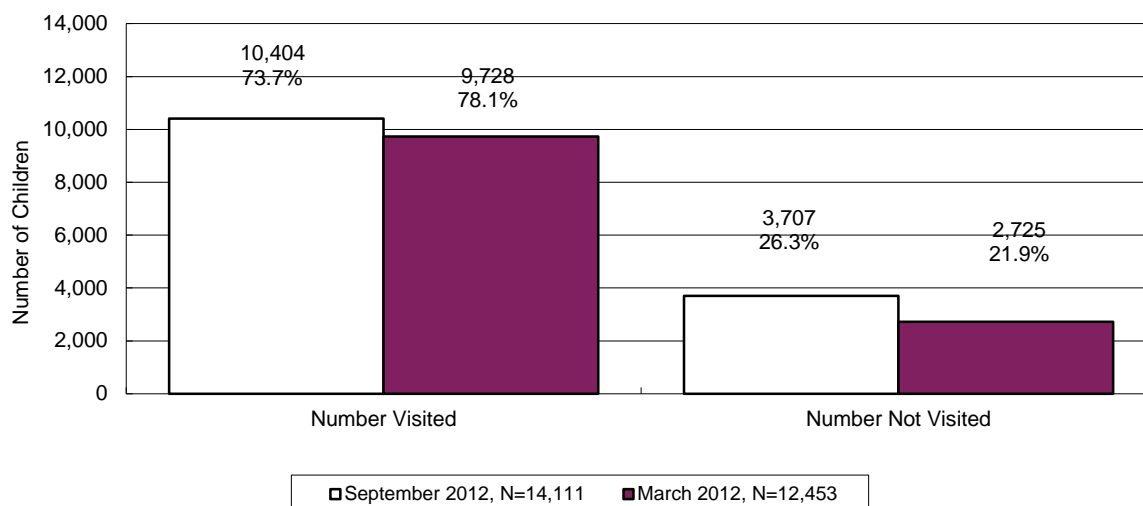
**CHART 30**  
**CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY LEGAL STATUS**



At the end of the reporting period there were 14,111 children in out-of-home care who required visitation. Of these children, visitation was accurately documented in the automated system for 10,404 children. As displayed in Chart 31, during this reporting period, the percent of children receiving required visits by CPS decreased by 4.4 percent to 73.7 percent.

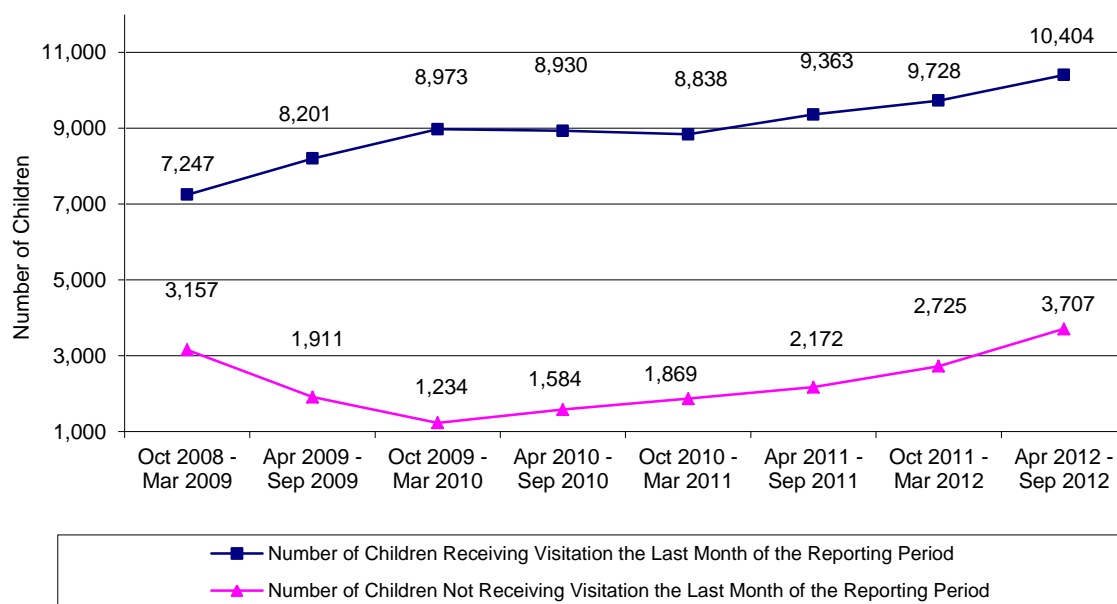
The required child visitation is performed monthly by CPS, contracted case managers, and/or other professionals as approved by a supervisor or as established by policy. The Department has verified that more children received the required visitation than is indicated in Chart 31. This information is clearly documented in the automated case notes. However, the Department is unable to compile and tabulate data based solely upon case note text. The Department continues to issue instructions to all direct service staff regarding the system requirements for capturing all visitations. A child was deemed to have received the required visitation if the child received the visitation during the last month of the reporting period.

**CHART 31**  
**THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED THE REQUIRED VISITATION**



According to the Division for Children, Youth and Families policy, CPS specialists shall have face-to-face contact with all parents at least once a month, including any alleged parents and parents residing outside of the child's home where the case plan goal is family reunification or remain with family. During the reporting period, there were 1,987 parents who had a child with the case plan goal of return home. Of those parents requiring visitation, 1,017 or 51.2 percent received the required visitation. The 51.2 percent visitation rate does not reflect attempted visitation where contact with the parent(s) did not take place.

**CHART 32**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING AND NOT RECEIVING VISITATION BY REPORTING PERIOD**



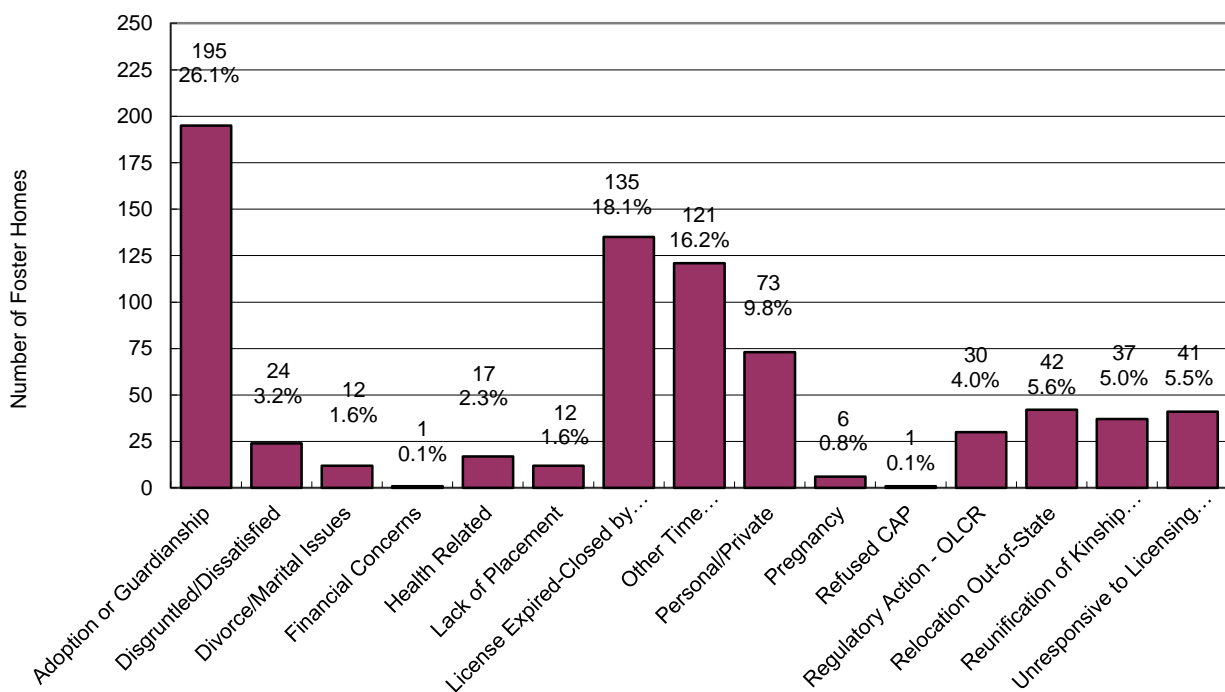
## **FOSTER HOME LICENSING, CLOSURES, & VISITATION**

As of September 30, 2012, there were 3,748<sup>8</sup> foster homes licensed for a total capacity of 7,716 spaces. Of these, 2,071 are reported by contractors to be unavailable for placements. An additional 638 were unused spaces within these foster homes. Of the unused spaces, a match between the available spaces and children's needs was not possible.

Licensed foster homes include family foster homes, professional family foster homes, respite foster homes, receiving foster homes, and developmentally disabled homes with DCYF children placed in them. Foster home licenses specify the age range, gender and maximum number of children that can be placed in a home. Foster parents, in consultation with the licensing worker, decide the type of physical, behavioral, and psychological needs of children they can effectively parent based upon their own skill level, experiences, and desires.

During the reporting period, 999 new homes were licensed to provide foster care and 747 homes left the system. This compares to 663 new homes being licensed and 679 homes leaving the system for the period covering October 2011 through March 2012. The chart below gives the reasons for foster home closures for the period of April 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012.

**CHART 33**  
**REASON FOR FOSTER HOME CLOSURE FOR THE PERIOD OF**  
**APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

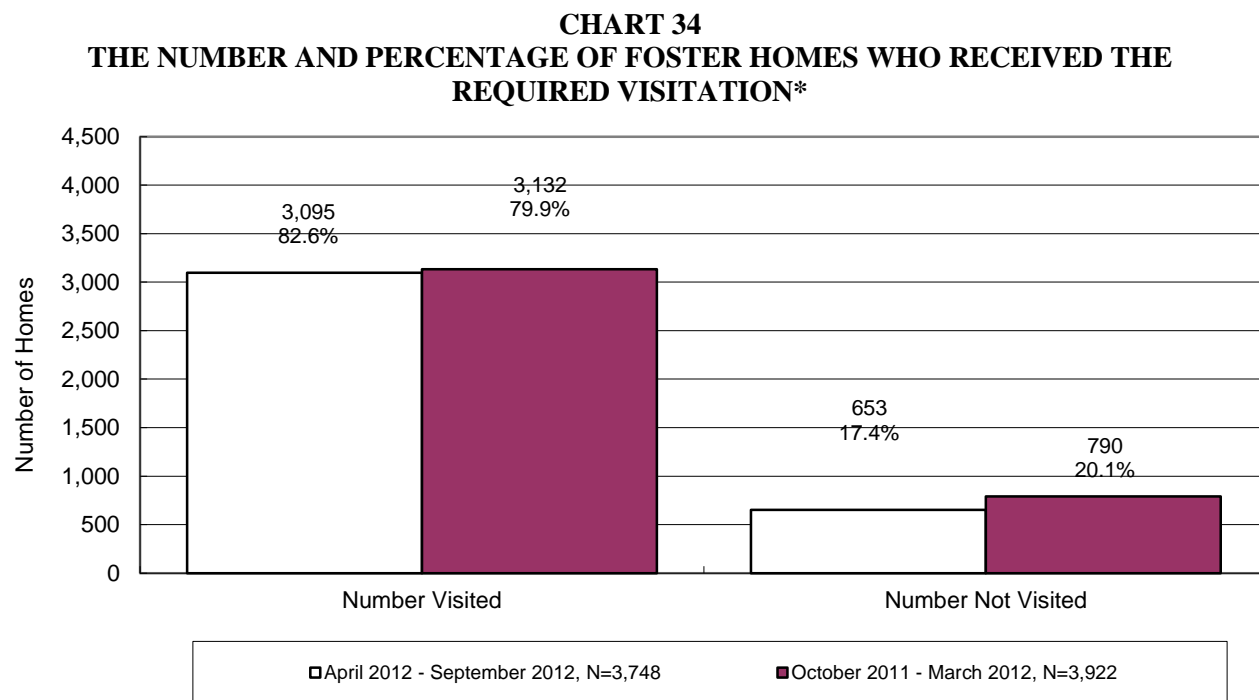


N= 747

<sup>8</sup> The number of homes cited in this report differs from the number cited by the Office of Licensing, Certification & Regulation (OLCR) due to the fact that the Division for Children, Youth & Families utilizes foster homes that are licensed for developmental disabilities, licensed by the tribes, etc.



During the reporting period, there were 3,748 foster homes that required visitation. Of the 3,748 foster homes requiring visitation, 3,095 or 82.6 percent of foster homes received their required visitation. This compares to 3,132 or 79.9 percent of the foster homes that received the required visitation for the period October 2011 through March 2012. The Department believes that more foster homes received the required visitation than is indicated in the chart below. The under-reporting of foster home visitation is attributable to the lack of automation being used in reporting the foster home visitation process. The Department recognizes this as a problem and is working to correct this issue.



\*Required visitations to foster homes, for license monitoring purposes, are performed by licensing case managers.

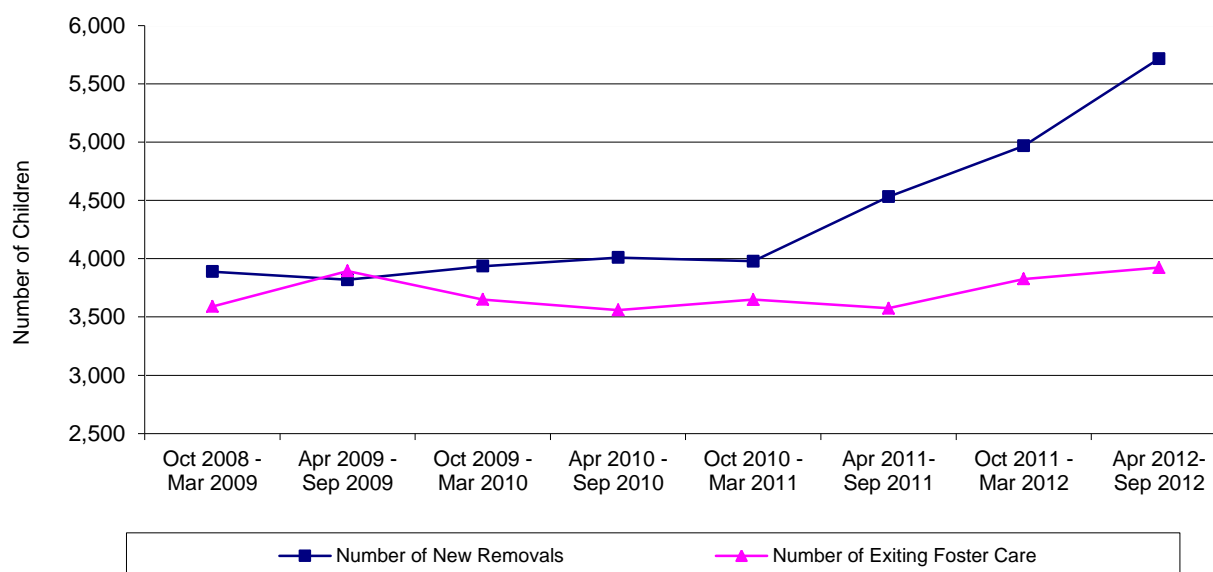
**CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF HOME CARE**

During the reporting period, 3,923 children left the custody of the Department. This compares to 3,826 children exiting care during the prior reporting period. The comparison between the two reporting periods shows that 2.5 percent more children left care this reporting period for an increase of 97 children exiting care.

**TABLE 35**  
**CHILDREN EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY PERIOD**

REPORTING PERIOD	NUMBER OF CHILDREN DISCHARGED	% CHANGE OVER PRIOR PERIOD
OCTOBER 2008 – MARCH 2009	3,590	-4.9%
APRIL 2009 – SEPTEMBER 2009	3,894	+8.5%
OCTOBER 2009 – MARCH 2010	3,650	-6.3%
APRIL 2010 – SEPTEMBER 2010	3,559	-2.5%
OCTOBER 2010 – MARCH 2011	3,649	+2.5%
APRIL 2011 – SEPTEMBER 2011	3,574	-2.1%
OCTOBER 2011 – MARCH 2012	3,826	+7.1%
APRIL 2012 – SEPTEMBER 2012	3,923	+2.5%

**CHART 35**  
**CHILDREN ENTERING AND EXITING OUT-OF-HOME CARE BY REPORTING PERIOD**



The following nine tables depict the children who exited out-of-home care by reason. The tables display the following information: reasons the child left custody, their age, their ethnicity, the number of placements each child had, and the length of time in out-of-home care.

**TABLE 36**  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY FOR THE END OF THE**  
**REPORTING PERIOD ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	209	5.3%
Ages 1 to 5	1,424	36.3%
Ages 6 to 8	560	14.3%
Ages 9 to 12	556	14.2%
Ages 13 to 17	773	19.7%
18 and Over	401	10.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,923</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	1,514	38.6%
Hispanic	1,389	35.4%
African American	570	14.5%
American Indian	285	7.3%
Asian	36	0.9%
Other	129	3.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,923</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	2,038	51.9%
Two	905	23.0%
Three	434	11.1%
Four	195	5.0%
Five	106	2.7%
More than Five	245	6.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,923</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	720	18.4%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,336	34.0%
13 to 24 Months	1,041	26.5%
More than 24 Months	826	21.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,923</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	8.8	7.7
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.2	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	15.9	6.1

**TABLE 37**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF "REUNIFICATION WITH PARENTS OR PRIMARY CARETAKER" FOR**  
**THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	176	8.6%
Ages 1 to 5	738	36.0%
Ages 6 to 8	328	16.0%
Ages 9 to 12	322	15.7%
Ages 13 to 17	485	23.6%
18 and Over	3	0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	793	38.6%
Hispanic	707	34.5%
African American	293	14.3%
American Indian	140	6.8%
Asian	16	0.8%
Other	103	5.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	1,256	61.2%
Two	496	24.2%
Three	185	9.0%
Four	57	2.8%
Five	25	1.2%
More than Five	33	1.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	612	29.8%
31 Days to 12 Months	1,011	49.3%
13 to 24 Months	365	17.8%
More than 24 Months	64	3.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	7.9	6.9
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.7	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	7.5	6.1

**TABLE 38**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF “LIVING WITH OTHER RELATIVES” FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	5	12.2%
Ages 1 to 5	16	39.0%
Ages 6 to 8	6	14.6%
Ages 9 to 12	4	9.8%
Ages 13 to 17	9	22.0%
18 and Over	1	2.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	15	36.5%
Hispanic	13	31.7%
African American	2	4.9%
American Indian	7	17.1%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	4	9.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	31	75.6%
Two	7	17.1%
Three	2	4.9%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	1	2.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	26	63.4%
31 Days to 12 Months	10	24.4%
13 to 24 Months	3	7.3%
More than 24 Months	2	4.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	7.2	5.8
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.6	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	5.5	0.2

**TABLE 39**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES**  
**CUSTODY FOR REASON OF “ADOPTION” FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	13	1.3%
Ages 1 to 5	583	56.8%
Ages 6 to 8	178	17.4%
Ages 9 to 12	159	15.5%
Ages 13 to 17	91	8.9%
18 and Over	1	0.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	409	39.9%
Hispanic	401	39.1%
African American	155	15.1%
American Indian	45	4.4%
Asian	10	1.0%
Other	5	0.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	450	43.9%
Two	280	27.3%
Three	150	14.6%
Four	53	5.2%
Five	41	4.0%
More than Five	51	5.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	0	0.0%
31 Days to 12 Months	70	6.8%
13 to 24 Months	473	46.1%
More than 24 Months	482	47.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	6.1	4.9
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.2	2.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	25.9	23.2

**TABLE 40**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF “GUARDIANSHIP” FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	4	1.4%
Ages 1 to 5	53	18.3%
Ages 6 to 8	41	14.1%
Ages 9 to 12	61	21.0%
Ages 13 to 17	130	44.9%
18 and Over	1	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	103	35.5%
Hispanic	117	40.4%
African American	34	11.7%
American Indian	25	8.6%
Asian	5	1.7%
Other	6	2.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	153	52.6%
Two	57	19.7%
Three	44	15.2%
Four	24	8.3%
Five	6	2.1%
More than Five	6	2.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	25	8.6%
31 Days to 12 Months	108	37.2%
13 to 24 Months	108	37.2%
More than 24 Months	49	17.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	11.1	12.2
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.0	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	15.0	14.3

**TABLE 41**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASONS OF “REACHING AGE OF MAJORITY” FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	6	1.5%
18 and Over	384	98.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	163	41.8%
Hispanic	126	32.3%
African American	66	16.9%
American Indian	25	6.4%
Asian	5	1.3%
Other	5	1.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	68	17.4%
Two	50	12.8%
Three	40	10.3%
Four	58	14.9%
Five	31	7.9%
More than Five	143	36.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	1	0.3%
31 Days to 12 Months	93	23.8%
13 to 24 Months	82	21.0%
More than 24 Months	214	54.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	18.8	18.1
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	5.7	4.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	37.2	27.8



**TABLE 42**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF “TRANSFER TO ANOTHER AGENCY” FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	8	10.8%
Ages 1 to 5	34	45.9%
Ages 6 to 8	7	9.5%
Ages 9 to 12	9	12.2%
Ages 13 to 17	14	18.9%
18 and Over	2	2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	13	17.6%
Hispanic	8	10.8%
African American	13	17.6%
American Indian	39	52.6%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	1	1.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	46	62.1%
Two	12	16.2%
Three	10	13.5%
Four	1	1.4%
Five	3	4.1%
More than Five	2	2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	31	41.9%
31 Days to 12 Months	34	45.9%
13 to 24 Months	6	8.1%
More than 24 Months	3	4.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	7.0	4.4
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	1.8	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	5.8	1.9

**TABLE 43**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF "RUNAWAY" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD**  
**ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	1	2.1%
Ages 13 to 17	38	80.9%
18 and Over	8	17.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	16	34.0%
Hispanic	16	34.0%
African American	7	14.9%
American Indian	3	6.4%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	5	10.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	32	68.0%
Two	2	4.3%
Three	3	6.4%
Four	2	4.3%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	8	17.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	25	53.2%
31 Days to 12 Months	7	14.9%
13 to 24 Months	4	8.5%
More than 24 Months	11	23.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	16.9	16.9
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	2.8	1.0
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	12.8	0.3

**TABLE 44**  
**NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN EXITING DES CUSTODY**  
**FOR REASON OF "DEATH OF CHILD" FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD ENDING**  
**SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

<b>By Age</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 1	3	75.0%
Ages 1 to 5	0	0.0%
Ages 6 to 8	0	0.0%
Ages 9 to 12	0	0.0%
Ages 13 to 17	0	0.0%
18 and Over	1	25.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Caucasian	2	50.0%
Hispanic	1	25.0%
African American	0	0.0%
American Indian	0	0.0%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	1	25.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
One	2	50.0%
Two	1	25.0%
Three	0	0.0%
Four	0	0.0%
Five	0	0.0%
More than Five	1	25.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>By Length of Time in Care</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Less than 30 Days	0	0.0%
31 Days to 12 Months	3	75.0%
13 to 24 Months	0	0.0%
More than 24 Months	1	25.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
<b>By Age</b>	4.7	0.2
<b>By Number of Placements</b>	4.0	1.5
<b>By Months of Time in Care</b>	25.1	2.1

**TABLE 45**  
**CHILDREN EXITING CARE FOR REASON OF DEATH BY CAUSE OF DEATH,**  
**PLACEMENT TYPE AT TIME OF DEATH, AND COUNTY**

COUNTY	CAUSE OF DEATH	TYPE OF PLACEMENT AT TIME OF DEATH
Maricopa	Accidental	Family Foster Home - Relative
Pima	Medical Condition	Family Foster Home
Pima	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome	Family Foster Home - Relative
Pinal	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome	Family Foster Home

**TABLE 46**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN AN OPEN CASE WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF ALLEGED**  
**ABUSE AS CATEGORIZED BY THE CUSTODIAL RELATIONSHIP AND COUNTY FOR THE**  
**PERIOD APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

COUNTY	BIOLOGICAL PARENT(S)	OTHER FAMILY MEMBER	ADOPTIVE PARENT(S)	FOSTER CARE PARENT(S)	OTHER OUT-OF-HOME CARE PROVIDER	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCHISE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
COCONINO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GILA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GRAHAM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
MARICOPA	3	0	0	0	0	3	100.0%
MOHAVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
NAVAJO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PIMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
PINAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
SANTA CRUZ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YAVAPAI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YUMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
STATEWIDE	3	0	0	0	0	3	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	100.0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	

The number of child maltreatment deaths presented in the Semi-Annual Report is not comparable to child maltreatment deaths reported by the Arizona Department of Economic Security (ADES).

- ADES posts information in accordance with A.R.S. § 8-807 on child fatalities due to abuse or neglect by the child's parent, custodian or caregiver at: [www.azdes.gov/cpsinfo](http://www.azdes.gov/cpsinfo).
- This information is posted when the information comes to ADES' attention and a final determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect has been made by either a substantiated finding or specific criminal charges filed against a parent, guardian or caregiver for causing the fatality.
- The information that comes to DES' attention and the determination of the fatality due to abuse or neglect may occur sometime after the actual incident for a number of reasons including a determination by a medical professional, a medical examiner, or a criminal child abuse arrest and charge of the perpetrator.

**CHILDREN WITH CASE PLAN GOALS OF ADOPTION**

Of the 14,111 children in out-of-home care on September 30, 2012, 2,719 or 19.3 percent had a case plan goal of adoption. Most of those children, 47.3 percent, are in the 1-5 year old age range, followed by 18.2 percent in the 9-12 year old age range, and 17.0 percent in the 6-8 year old age range. The remaining children, 476 or 17.6 percent, fall within the under one or 13 and over age range. Many of these children are Caucasian (1,075 or 39.5 percent), Hispanic (1,063 or 39.1 percent), or African American (377 or 13.9 percent). The remaining 204 children or 7.5 percent are American Indian, Asian or other. Sixty-six and nine tenths of a percent, or 1,818 of the children free for adoption, are currently placed in their adoptive homes.

**TABLE 47**  
**NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS**  
**BY COUNTY FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012**

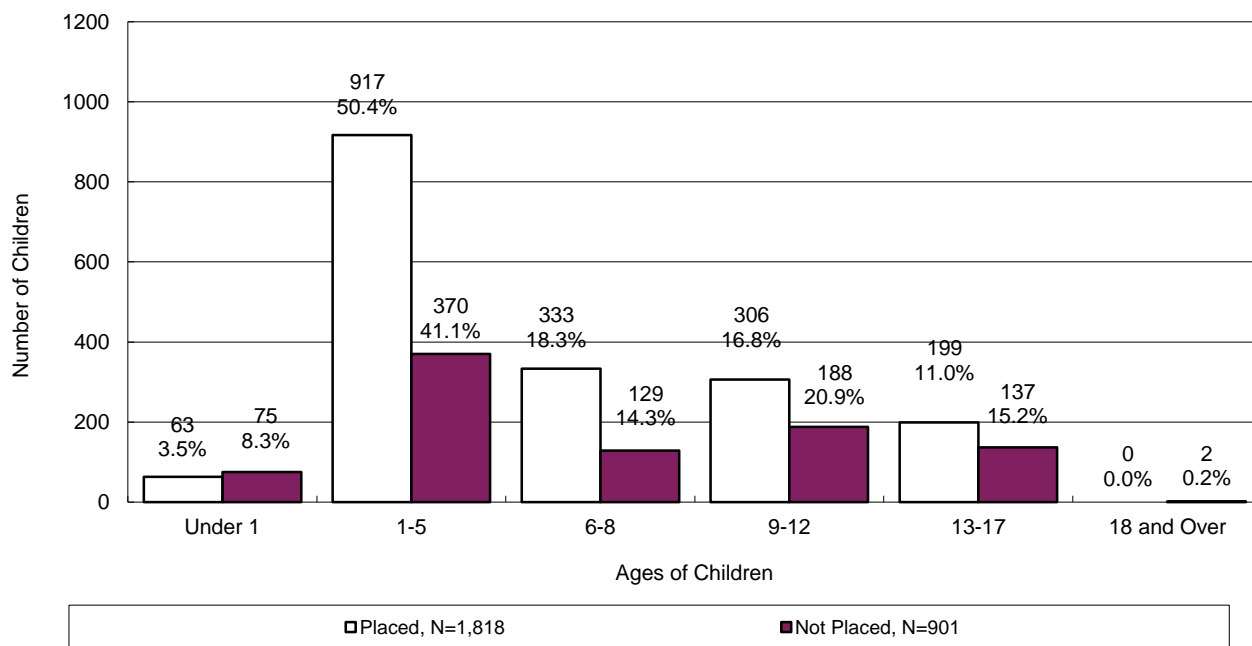
COUNTY	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS DENIED	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS GRANTED IN PART/DENIED IN PART	TERMINATION OF RIGHTS WITHDRAWN	TOTAL	% OF TOTAL
APACHE	9	0	0	0	9	0.6%
COCHISE	25	0	0	0	25	1.5%
COCONINO	5	0	0	0	5	0.3%
GILA	12	1	0	0	13	0.8%
GRAHAM	10	0	0	0	10	0.6%
GREENLEE	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
LA PAZ	8	0	0	0	8	0.5%
MARICOPA	1,007	0	0	0	1,007	62.5%
MOHAVE	39	0	0	0	39	2.4%
NAVAJO	5	0	0	0	5	0.3%
PIMA	359	4	0	0	363	22.5%
PINAL	49	0	0	0	49	3.0%
SANTA CRUZ	2	0	0	0	2	0.1%
YAVAPAI	48	0	0	0	48	3.0%
YUMA	31	0	0	0	31	1.9%
STATEWIDE	1,609	5	0	0	1,614	100.0%
% OF TOTAL	99.7%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	

The average length of time that a child with a case plan goal of “adoption” has spent in out-of-home care is 1 year 11 months. There were a total of 2,719 children with case plan goals of adoption during this reporting period. Of this total, 1,818 were placed and 901 were not placed. The population of children with case plan goals of adoption averaged 2.5 placements and had a median placement count of 2.0. The placement count ranged from 1 to 32.

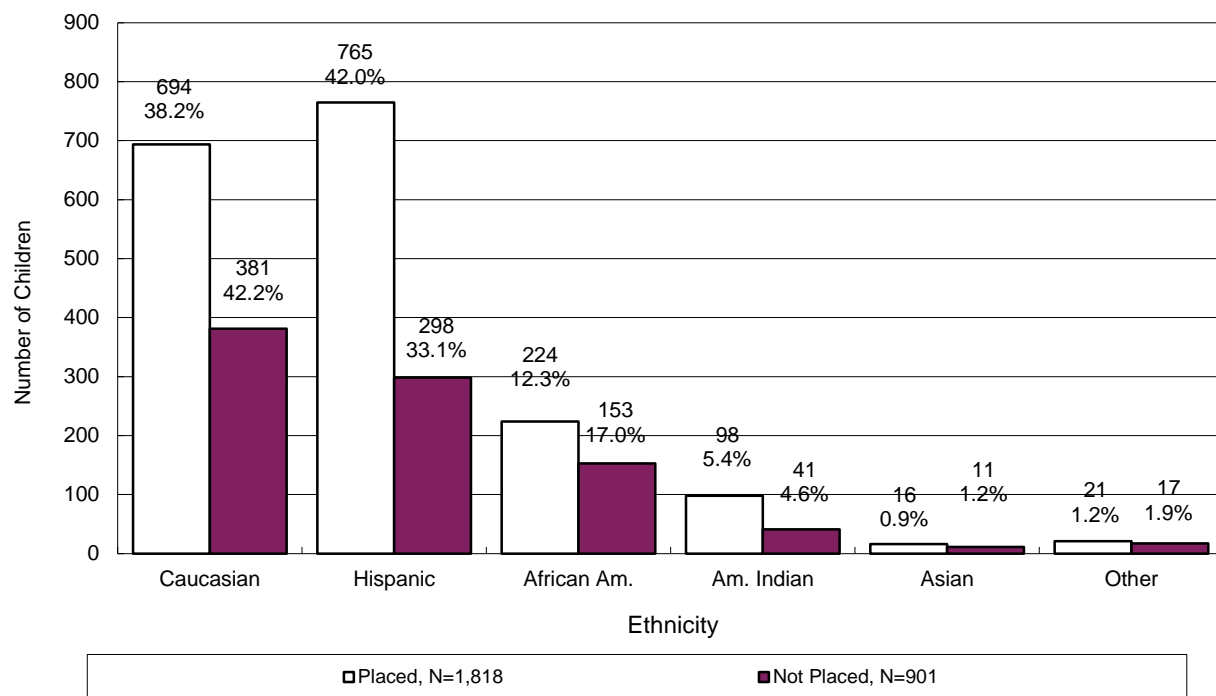
**TABLE 48**  
**PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR CHILDREN WITH CASE PLAN GOALS OF ADOPTION**

	<b>Placements</b>
<b>Average</b>	2.5
<b>Median</b>	2.0
<b>Range Minimum</b>	1
<b>Range Maximum</b>	32

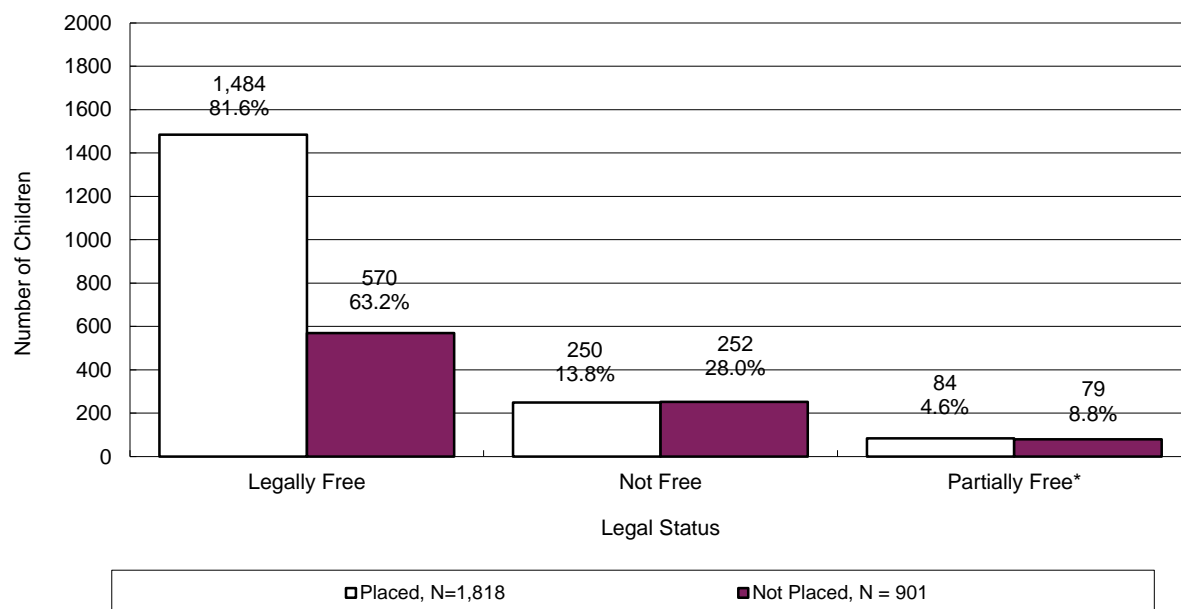
**CHART 36**  
**THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY AGE**



**CHART 37**  
**THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE**  
**PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY ETHNICITY**

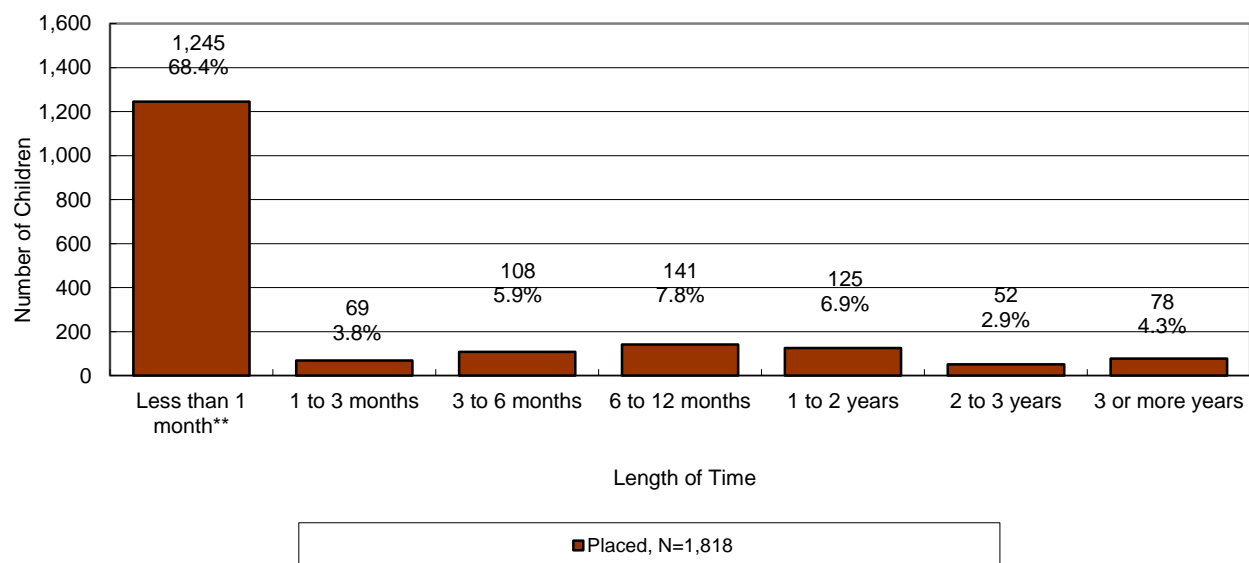


**CHART 38**  
**THE PLACEMENT AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF**  
**ADOPTION BY LEGAL STATUS**



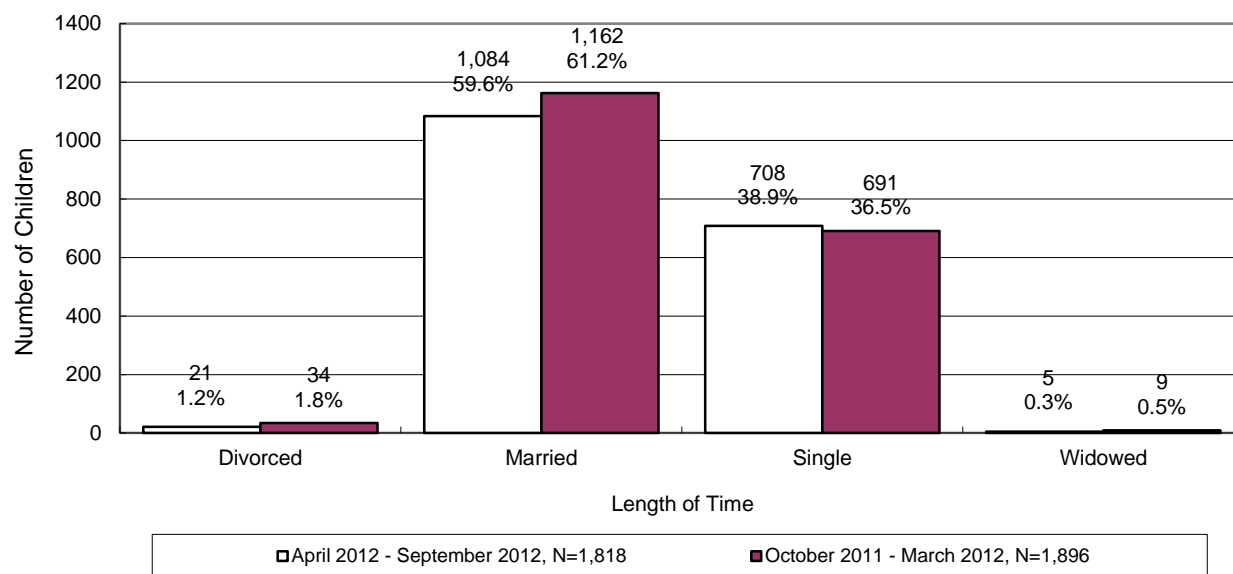
\*Partially free refers to a situation where only one of the parent's rights has been severed.

**CHART 39**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION BY LENGTH OF TIME FROM CHANGE OF CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION TO ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT**



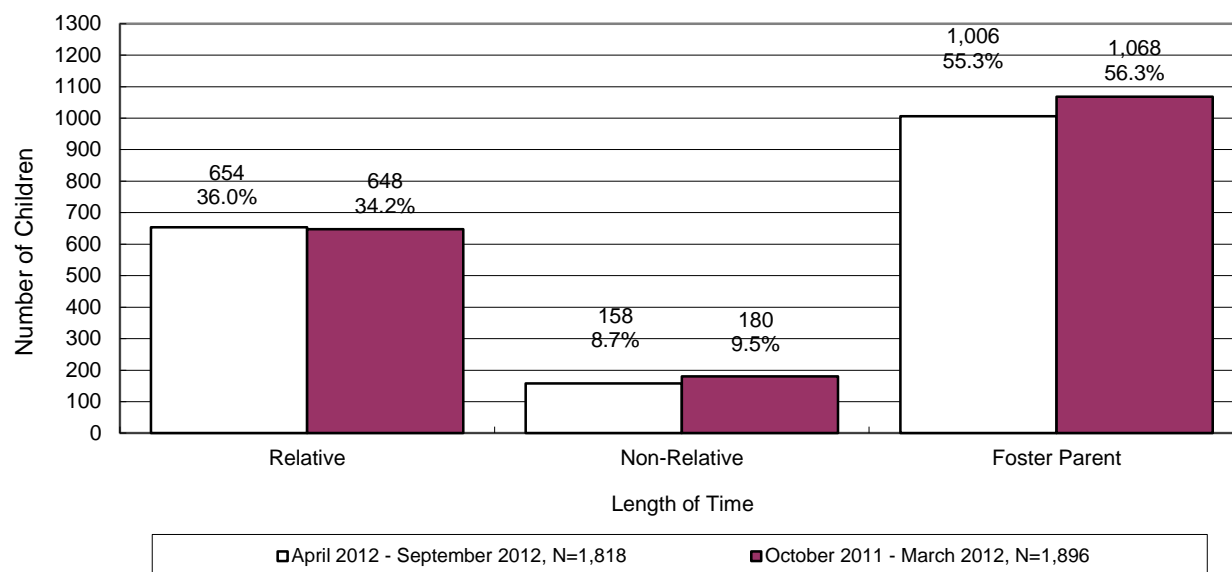
\*\*Approximately 70 percent of children are adopted by relatives or their foster parents and are already in their prospective adoptive placement at the time the case plan goal changes to adoption.

**CHART 40**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**





**CHART 41**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN**  
**AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**

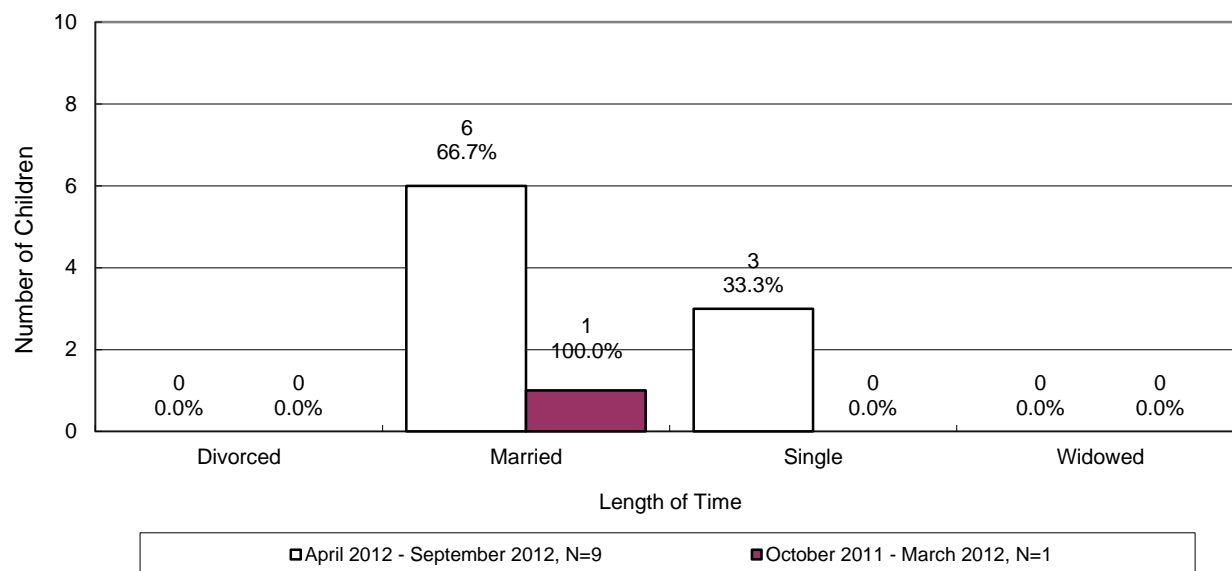


## DISRUPTIONS

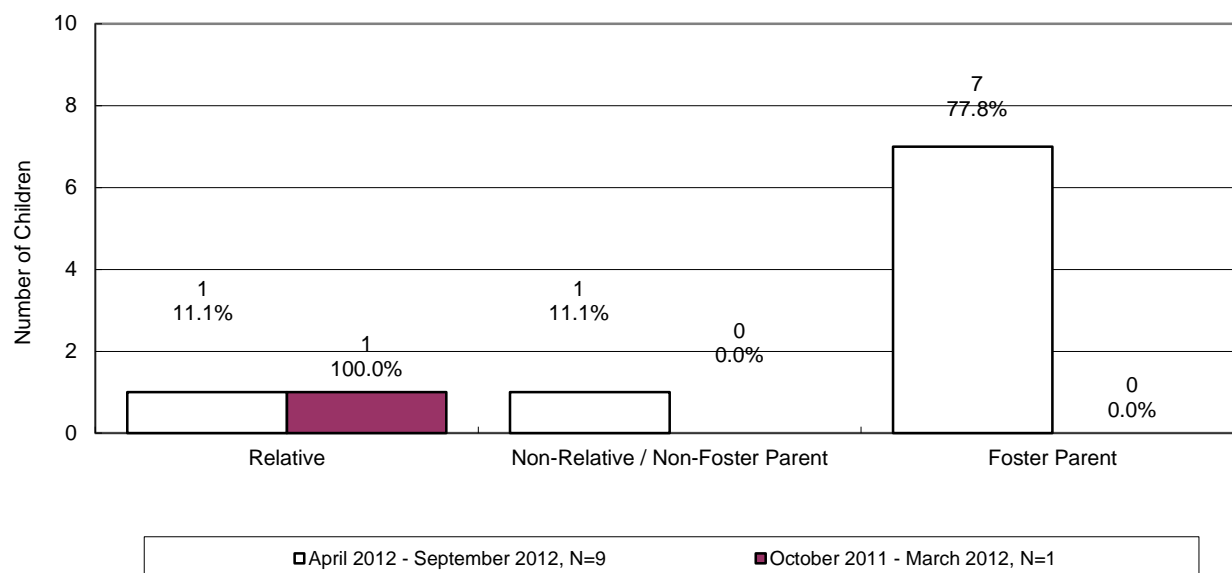
**TABLE 49**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN**  
**AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY AGE AND ETHNICITY**

By Age	Number	Percentage
Under 1	0	0.0%
Ages 1 – 5	2	22.2%
Ages 6 – 8	3	33.4%
Ages 9 – 12	2	22.2%
Ages 13 – 17	2	22.2%
18 and Over	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
Caucasian	6	66.7%
Hispanic	1	11.1%
African American	2	22.2%
American Indian	0	0.0%
Asian	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**CHART 42**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE MARITAL STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**

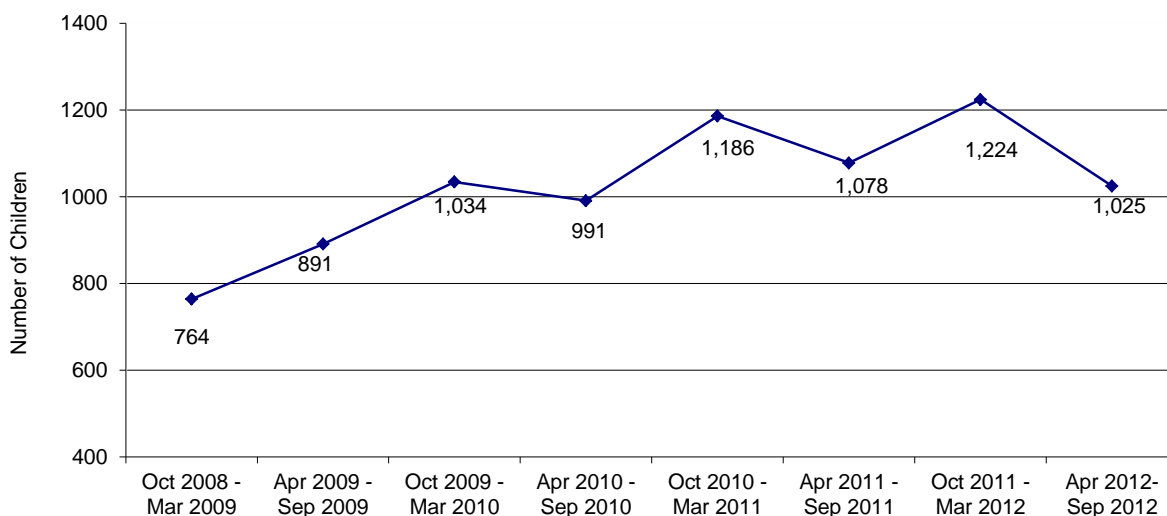


**CHART 43**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A CASE PLAN GOAL OF ADOPTION WHO WERE IN AN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT AND DISRUPTED BY THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**



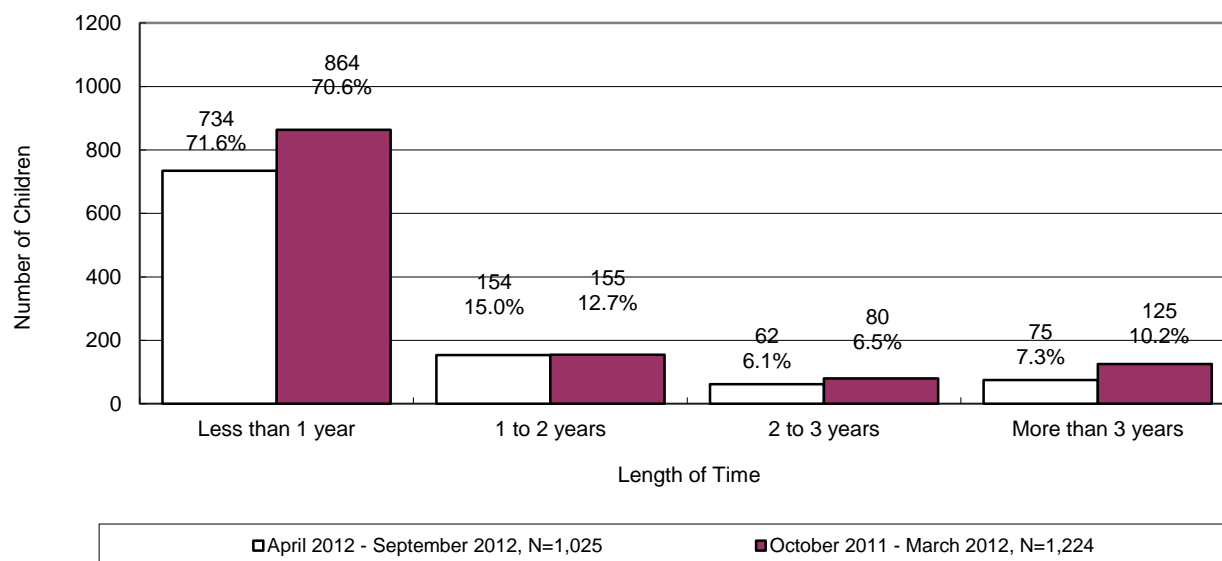
**ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

**CHART 44**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION**



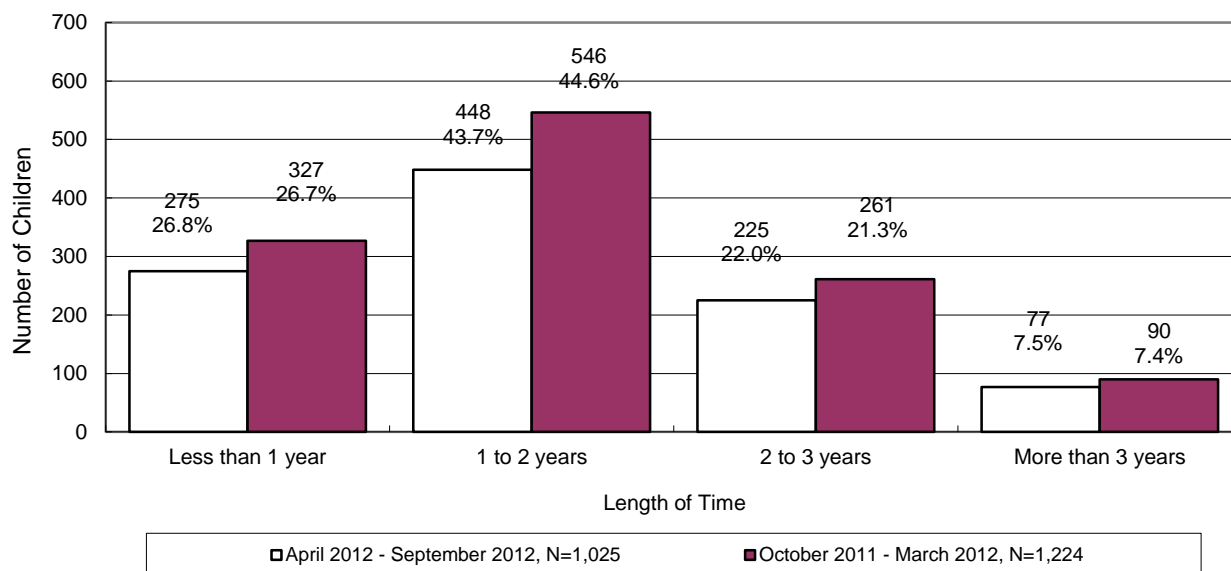
There were 1,025 children with a finalized adoption during the reporting period. Chart 45 displays the number of children with a finalized adoption during the reporting period by the average length of time in out-of-home placement before adoptive placement.

**CHART 45**  
**THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT BEFORE ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT**

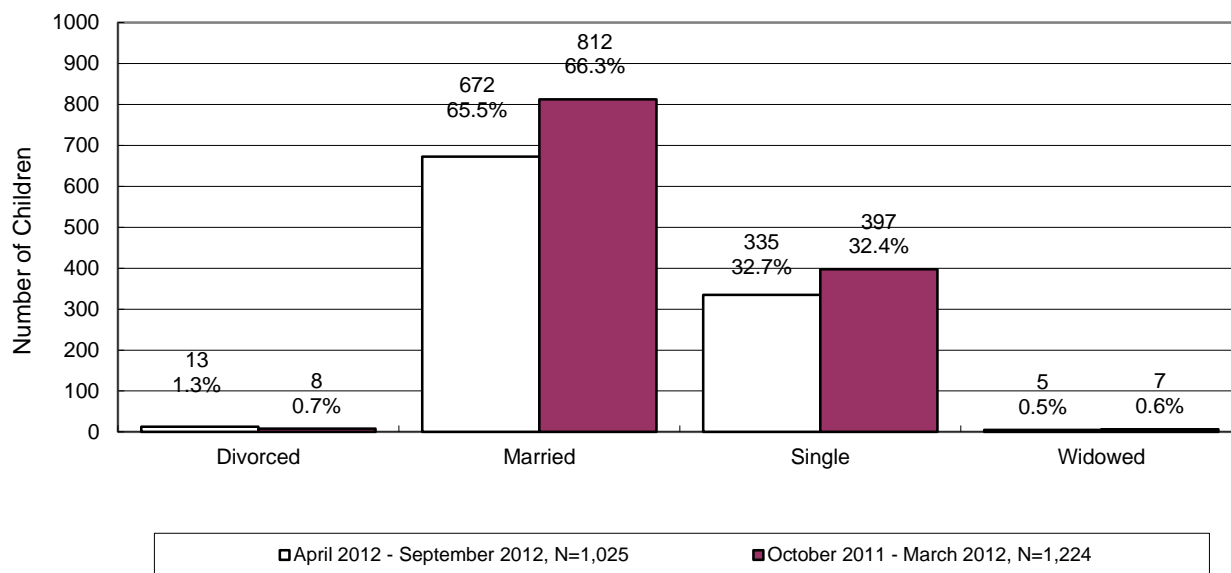


The chart below displays the number of children with a finalized adoption by average length of time in adoptive placement before the final order of adoption.

**CHART 46**  
**THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY**  
**AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME IN ADOPTIVE PLACEMENT BEFORE THE FINAL ORDER**  
**OF ADOPTION**



**CHART 47**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE MARITAL**  
**STATUS OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT**



**CHART 48**  
**THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH A FINALIZED ADOPTION BY THE RELATIONSHIP**  
**OF THE ADOPTIVE PARENT TO THE CHILD**

